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Nazis At Gates Of Dardanelles

AXIS FORCES IN GREENLAND!

ROOSEVELT REVEALS PARTIAL OCCUPATION

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT: He draws a subtle distinction between Convoy and Naval Patrol.

America Takes Steps To Counteract Attack

HULL SCOFFS AT PEACE WITH AXIS POWERS

WASHINGTON, April 25.

It is possible that Greenland has been partly occupied by Axis forces said President Roosevelt at a press conference to-day, but added that he had no definite information about it.

He replied in the negative when asked whether the occupation might be by Fifth Columnists.

He said that the United States was taking steps to counteract any occupation of Greenland and hoped that there would be "no further act of aggression".

PATROL IS NOT CONVOY

President Roosevelt also declared at the Conference that American Neutrality patrols would operate "as far into the waters of the seven seas" as may be necessary for the defence of the Western Hemisphere. The United States was not thinking of escorting convoys of merchantmen at this time, the President added.

President Roosevelt declined to be drawn into specific comments designed to amplify his views on convoys, but said that for a year and a half neutrality patrol vessels had been operating as far as a thousand miles from the Atlantic eastern shore. The Maryland patrol had been extended and would continue to be extended from time to time. He emphatically declared that the patrol was not a convoy.

LINDBERGH NAMED

The President defined a convoy as escorting merchantmen in a group to protect them from aggression. He defined a patrol as reconnaissance of an area to find if there were any aggression ship entering or approaching the Western Hemisphere.

President Roosevelt attacked American appeasers at the press conference naming Col. Lindbergh. He indicated that the United States Army had not recalled Col. Lindbergh to active duty because of his views on the international situation.

IF BRITAIN IS DEFEATED Colossal Danger To America

Mr. Cordell Hull said that the United States was living in desperately serious days involving all nations. The Germans proposed to make the people of each conquered nation into serfs. If experience showed anything, no nation anywhere had the slightest reason to feel that it would be exempted from attack by the invader.

Declaring that "the times are pressing and the struggle may continue for a long time," Mr. Hull expressed absolute faith in the ultimate triumph of freedom. He warned the Americans against becoming too easily discouraged by news "that is temporarily unfavourable."

AID TO BRITAIN

Mr. Cordell Hull added: "Events have shown beyond any possible doubt that the question of safety in this Hemisphere and this country calls for resistance wherever resistance will be most effective." Ways must be found to supply aid to Great Britain and others resisting the sweep of the general conflagration.

Individual groups had no right at this time to think and act primarily in their own personal interest to the detriment of the general national good. The defeat of the British and the delivery of the high seas to the invader would create a colossal danger to American national security.

COL. LINDBERGH: In attacking American appeasers, President Roosevelt has named him.

MR. CORDELL HULL: Peace with the Axis Powers will be a trap, he says.

BROADENED POWERS FOR ROOSEVELT?

To Establish Priorities And Ration Supplies To Aid Britain

WASHINGTON, April 25.

Legislation to give President Roosevelt vastly broadened powers to establish priorities and ration supplies for defence purposes or aid to Britain was introduced to-day by Mr. Carl Vinson, representative for Georgia at the request of the Administration.

"USE FOREIGN SHIPS"

The Merchant Marine Committee of the House of Representatives approved the bill authorising President Roosevelt to seize and use foreign ships lying idle in the United States ports.

It is understood that the language of the bill is tantamount to a permit for handling such ships to Britain if desired.—Reuter.

Mediterranean Mined

British mine fields in the Mediterranean seas now extend all along the coast of Libya and Egypt as far as Raselkanais, across Serto, limit of Turkish territorial waters, thence to Greek territory along the coasts of Greece, Albania, Yugoslavia and Italy. This is the area described "dangerous to shipping" in a British Admiralty statement issued here to-day.

The Admiralty statement says that "German and Italian Governments having recently announced that the Eastern Mediterranean and the Aegan Sea and the greater part of the Adriatic are dangerous to shipping. His Majesty's Government give notice that the limits of the area in the Mediterranean which they declared as dangerous to shipping in February 1941 are extended "as indicated above".

Battle For Dessie

200 ITALIANS KILLED

LONDON, April 25.

(From Reuter's Special Correspondent with the South African forces in Abyssinia):—200 Italians are known to have been killed in the battle before Dessie. About 560 African prisoners were taken and it is believed that another 300 are coming in.—Reuter.

DARLAN BACK FROM PARIS

Berlin Dismisses Visit As Of Little News Value

VICHY, April 25.

Admiral Darlan returned here to-day after a twenty-five hours' stay in Paris during which he saw Count de Brinon, but apparently not Herr Abetz which was the real purpose of his visit.

According to German Foreign Office officials in Berlin, Admiral Darlan's visit to Paris was "of little news value". They declined to say whether Herr Abetz is in Paris.—Reuter.

Huge Enemy Supply Ship Sunk

LONDON, April 25.

A supply ship of sixteen thousand tons was sunk one mile up the Nieuwe waterway soon after dawn this morning states the Air Ministry News Service.

Two bombs were dropped from 25 feet and hit the ship; the debris was thrown into the air and black smoke belched upwards. The ship's crew dived into the canal. Some smaller ships were also attacked with bombs and machinegun fire and a military camp on the Dutch coast was raked with fire. Just before attacking, one of our aircraft was hit by anti-aircraft fire in both wings and the main oil pipe damaged.

The aircraft returned safely to its base.—Reuter.

British sea-power and British arms. Were control of the seas by the resisting nations to be lost the Atlantic would no longer be an obstacle—it would become a broad highway for the conqueror

Mr. Cordell Hull concluded that there can be no temporising with lawlessness or with disregard of the elemental rights of nations and peoples.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

EMPIRE FORCES HOLDING ON

LONDON, April 25.

CAIRO:—Despite very heavy fighting the Empire forces in Greece are still holding an unbroken line against the advancing German hordes, according to reports received here to-night. The situation of the Greek units who are still fighting is obscure but as far as is known, the British left flank has maintained contact with them.—Reuter.

BR. TROOPS AT MOSUL OILFIELDS

LONDON, April 25.

British troops which were landed at Basrah, as officially announced last week, have now arrived at Mosul (Iraq) oilfields according to the Istanbul Correspondent of the Independent French Agency.—Reuter.

SPAIN FACES CRISIS

Senor Suner Plotting To Overthrow Gen. Franco: Nazi Pressure

LONDON, (By Cable.)

David Scott cabled to the "News Chronicle" from Lisbon on April 22:—

Travellers arriving from Madrid all agree that the political situation there is obscure, but serious.

The reason is the effect of the offensives in Greece and Libya and German pressure on France for collaboration in the Mediterranean backed by Senor Suner (Gen. Franco's Foreign Minister) and his associates who consider the moment ripe for a more active policy.

It is reported that the German representations to Gen. Franco are so pressing that he may be obliged to give way or make way for Senor Suner as the head of the Government. The result would be the same.

Senor Suner is reported to be insisting that now or never is the time for Spain to recover Gibraltar and make good her claims for "vital space" in North Africa.

It is not doubted that these would be the first items on his programme if he gets control.

In any case, the effect of the German offensives has been to nullify the previous tendency, favourable to Britain, of Gen. Franco and the Spanish army leaders who were on the point of removing Senor Suner from control of foreign policy when the new situation developed.

NOTHING SHORT OF TOTAL VICTORY Britain Stands United Behind Her Premier, Says Dr. Hugh Dalton

LONDON, April 25.

"The Germans are swarming like filthy lice over the fair body of Europe. One day there shall be a great cleansing," declared Dr. Hugh Dalton, Minister of Economic Warfare in a speech in London to-day.

He declared that bad news, bluntly told, braces the British. "Britain behind her incomparable Prime Minister, stands United. We mean to see this thing through to the end and the only end for us is a total victory. We are greatly sustained by the moral and material aid from the United States. When properly equipped we will bear down all the evil forces arrayed against us".—Reuter.

MODEL FOR INDIA

U. S. Deal To Philippines Commended To Britain

(From Our Correspondent).

LONDON, April 25.

After criticising Mr. Amery's Commons' speech as one more attempt towards drift offering no fresh hope of any escape from the deadlock, the "New Statesman" in an editorial refers to the American offer of independence to the Philippinos after a fixed number of years subject to military alliance and suggests it is a model worthy of study.

Canadian Survivors Of "Rajputana"

EAST COAST CANADIAN PORT, April 25.

Twelve officers and 22 seamen—Canadian survivors of the armed merchant cruiser "Rajputana" recently sunk by enemy action—have arrived in Canada.—Reuter.

Dr. Bhagavan Das Unwell

Mr. Chandra Bhal writes from Benares stating that his father, Dr. Bhagavan Das, has, for the last three months, been suffering from intermittent action of the heart, besides other ailments due to the old age, and physicians have advised him to rest in bed quietly as much as possible. The friends, therefore, who are often writing to him will very kindly pardon him if he is unable to comply with their wishes, or if reply is delayed or not sent.

Invasion Of Strategic Island Of Lemnos

SMALL GREEK GARRISON GIVES STERN BATTLE

British Forces Retreat Further: Thermopylae Forced?

ATHENS, April 25.

German troops landed in the Greek Island of Lemnos early today. The small Greek garrison infantry and police fought the invaders for over four hours.

The German attack followed an ultimatum from the German forces which previously had occupied the Island of Samothrace thirty miles northeast of Lemnos, says a Lemnos message.

Empire forces in Greece conducted further orderly withdrawal inflicting severe losses on the enemy, states a G.H.Q. communique from Cairo.

HEROIC GREEK RESISTANCE

Following an ultimatum from the German forces which had previously occupied the Island of Samothrace thirty miles to the northeast, a German contingent at 05-00 to-day landed at Lemnos, the strategic Greek Island near the entrance of the Dardanelles. The small Greek garrison consisting of infantry and police resisted the invaders for over four hours.

A semi-official Greek 'communique' states that the German Governor of Samothrace sent an ultimatum ordering the surrender of Lemnos by midnight on Wednesday, otherwise it would be forcibly occupied.

M. Karamenjanis, the Prefect of Lemnos, in reply to a request for the Government's instructions, was ordered to do his duty as the honour of Greece demanded.

At 05-00 to-day the Germans began to disembark troops from transports which reached the harbour of Purnia under an escort of aircraft. The small garrison consisting of Greek infantry and police resisted till after 09-00. All the Greek officials are remaining at their post under the orders of the Greek Government.

The Greek Minister of Interior M. Maniadakis, has telegraphed to the prefect of Lemnos saying that the garrison's struggle has deeply moved the whole of Greece and added another page to the national epic of the glorious country battling against two Empires.

HAS THERMOPYLAE PASS BEEN FORCED?

Earlier cables stated:—

The British and Imperial troops are now fighting a stubborn defensive action on a shortened line in mountains 85 miles northwest of Athens. On their left, some Greek troops are still in action despite the capitulation of the northern Greek army.

While reports reaching London on Thursday state that the British line is unbroken, the Germans claim to have forced the historic Thermopylae pass south of Lamia.

Port Of Athens Bombed

German bombers carried out repeated attacks on the port of Athens, Corinth and other towns in southern Greece to-day, states the Greek Ministry of Public Security and two Greek hospital ships, although clearly marked and duly notified in advance to the enemy, were bombed and sunk.

The passenger steamer, "Hellas," was struck by bombs and set on fire and many women and children aboard her who were being evacuated from the mainland were killed or injured. Three German raiders were shot down.

Warning To Greek Civilians

With no fresh news of the day's military operations available, the Athens radio, on Thursday night broadcast warnings to Greek civilians and soldiers urging the necessity of maintaining strict discipline and order.

Of fighting the announcer only said that there were no reports beyond those given in the Allied communiques. Only clashes in front of the new Allied defensive positions had taken place, the announcer said, and a more general German offensive was expected at Thermopylae.

An hour after their entry into Salonika, the Nazis had ransacked the town. They seized all metal, bronze, silver and jewels according to a woman refugee here.

All radio sets were confiscated and the inhabitants were ordered to hand over to the Germans all food supplies exceeding one day's requirements. A Greek Quisling was immediately appointed Governor of Salonika.

VISCOUNT GORT

Viscount Gort's New Job

To Be Governor And Commander-in-Chief Of Gibraltar

LONDON, April 25.

The Colonial Office announces that His Majesty the King has been pleased to approve the appointment of General Viscount Gort to be Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Gibraltar.

Lord Gort's appointment is in succession to Lieutenant-General Sir Clive Liddell who has been appointed Inspector of Training in Britain.—Reuter.

MOSCOW PACT RATIFIED AT TOKIO

LONDON, April 25.

A report from Tokio states that the Neutrality Pact between Japan and the Soviet Union has now been ratified and takes effect from to-day.—Reuter.

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(4885)

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B. B. & C. I.

(4479)

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The Candidates for the same are requested to be present for their Examinations at the Elphinstone High School Centre on MONDAY, 28-5-41 when the L. C. C. Examination will positively commence.

R. C. DIWAN,
Head Master.
Elphinstone High School,
Bombay, 25th April, 1941.
(4891)

NOTICE.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

THE PUBLIC IS HEREBY INFORMED that the Partnership Deed, dated 10th May, 1938, existed between Mr. Thakersey Jasraj and my deceased husband Ratansey Tulsidas trading as Guaranteed Brokers to Messrs. Cox and Kings (Agents) Limited for the export of Wool, in the name and style of Messrs. Thakersey & Company is DISSOLVED and thereby terminated from 3-3-1940 and Mr. Thakersey Jasraj is carrying on business in the same name and style and is now sole proprietor of the firm and as such Mr. Thakersey Jasraj will pay all debts due by the Company and shall recover all monies payable to the said Company.

(Sd) THAKERSEY JASRAJ.
(Sd) PARVATIBAI RATANSEY.
For self and on behalf of Jaisingh Ratansey (Minor).
(4852)

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that WAMANRAO ANANDRAO JOSHI, of Bombay, Hindu Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our clients.

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ALL THAT piece or parcel of Pension and Tax land or ground with the messuages or dwelling houses standing thereon situate, lying and being at Mahim Agar in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay in the Island of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 3251 square yards as shown in the Collector's Record and on actual measurement 3152 square yards and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Collector's Old No. 629, New No. 4556, Old Survey No. 481, New Survey No. 11789 and Cadastral Survey No. 1273 of Lower Parel Division and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under 'G' Ward No. 3128 (1) and (2A, 3) 3130, 3131 (3-4) Street No. 592, Mahim Agar, 'G' Ward Nos. 3128 (2) 3129 and 3131 (1) Street Nos. 3, 7 and 7C, New Road and 'G' Ward No. 3131 (2) and Street No. 170, Bhawanishanker Road and bounded as follows:—That is to say, on or towards the East by Kumbharwada Road, on or towards the West by the property of Suleman Mahomed and others, on or towards the North by a New 40 Feet Road (formerly a Cross Road) and on or towards the South partly by the property of Morarji Karsondas Hargovind and partly by the property of Suleman Mahomed.

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(Sd.) J. E. THAKAR DAS,
R.S., P.C.S.,
Secretary,
New Delhi, Municipal Committee.
(4836)

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Dated this 23rd day of April, 1941.

DABHOLKAR & JESHTARAM,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
4379.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Messrs. BABAMIYA alias MOHIDDIN SHAKKAR, SULLEMAN SHAKKAR and MAHOMEDSHA RAMZAN of Bombay Mahomedan inhabitants have with the consent of the Mortgagees contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our clients. Any person having any claim or interest in to or upon the said property by way of sale, mortgage, trust, lien, possession, gift, inheritance, lease or otherwise howsoever is hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 41, Bruce Street, Fort, Bombay, and to the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes within 14 days from the date thereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without any regard to any such claim and the same (if any) will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of Quit and Ground Rent (Redeemed) land or ground with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon situate at Chimna Butcher Street in the Island and Sub-Registration Sub-District of Bombay containing by admeasurement 150 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 1615, New No. 8740, Old Survey No. 1084 and New Survey No. 4185, Cadastral Survey No. 4143 of Bhuleshwar Division and bounded as follows, that is to say, on or towards the East by Sweeper's passage, on or towards the West by Chimna Butcher Street, on or towards the North by the property of Babamiya Shakkar and on or towards the South by the property of Morarji Kassal Jamat and which said messuages or tenements are assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under C Ward No. 7189 and Street Nos. 23-25.

Dated this 24th day of April 1941.

KHARAS & CO.,
Purchasers' Attorneys.
4380

Legal Notices

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that JAMNADAS DHARSEY, of Bombay, Hindu Bhatia, Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, possession, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office No. 40-44 Hamam Street, Fort, Bombay within 14 days from the date hereof otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL that piece or parcel of Quit and Ground Rent land or ground with the messuages, tenements or dwelling-houses standing thereon, situate, lying and being on the East side of Kazi Syed Street in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay in the City and Island of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 595 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old Nos. 663, 664 and 665 New Nos. 6349, 6350, 6351 and 6352, Old Survey Nos. 448, 449 and 450 and New Survey Nos. 2613, 2615, 2614 and 2613 and Cadastral Survey Nos. 303, 304 and 305 of Mandvi Division and in the Books of the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under 'B' Ward Nos. 1403, 1404 and Street Nos. 135, 137 and 'B' Ward Nos. 1401-1402, Street No. 139-145 and bounded as follows: that is to say, on or towards the East by the Sweeper's passage, on or towards the West by Kazi Syed Street, on or towards the North by the property of Karsondas Kanji and on or towards the South by the property of the City of Bombay Improvement Trust in the occupation of Adamji Lockmanji.

Dated this 25th day of April, 1941.

FERREIRA & VALLABHDAS,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
(4894)

Auction Sales

BENNETT & CO.

AUCTION SALE OF MODERN DRAWING, DINING & BEDROOM FURNITURE, ETC.

Messrs. BENNETT & CO., will sell by public auction TO-MORROW SUNDAY, the 27th April, 1941, at 10-30 A.M. (S.T.) at Warden Road "Surve Mansion" (ground floor) furniture such as:—

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NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

Messrs. R. J. MISTRY & CO., & ANILINE DYES & CHEMICAL CO.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the partnership subsisting between Mr. R. J. Mistry, Mr. M. J. Soonawalla and Mr Minoo Rustomji J. Mistry, carrying on business in the name of R. J. MISTRY & COMPANY and ANILINE DYES & CHEMICAL CO., has been DISSOLVED as of the 31st day of January, 1941. From the 1st day of February, 1941, the said business is being conducted by Mr. R. J. Mistry and Mr. Minoo R. J. Mistry who have taken over the entire stock-in-trade, assets and goodwill etc. of the said business as previously carried on and who will be responsible for the liabilities of the said business. Mr. M. J. Soonawalla, having retired from the partnership, will not now be responsible in any way for the debts, liabilities and engagements thereof.

Dated this 24th day of April, 1941.

MULLA & MULLA,
Attorneys for
Mr. R. J. Mistry,
Mr. M. J. Soonawalla and
Mr. Minoo R. J. Mistry.
(4882)

Auction Sales

CRAWFORD & CO.

AUCTION SALE OF GOLD AND SILVER ORNAMENTS.

By order of the Official Assignee of Bombay, Messrs. Crawford & Co., Auctioneers, will sell by public auction on MONDAY, 5th May 1941 at 2-30 P.M. (S.T.) at their rooms at 122, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay, gold and silver ornaments of Insolvent Ratanji Bhagwandas Mistry such as chains, bangles, earrings, necklaces, anklets, studs, rings etc.

CRAWFORD & CO.

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AUCTION SALE TO-MORROW (SUNDAY) at 11-30 A.M. (S.T.) at Kapadia Building, Kalbadevi Road, Near Swadeshi Market, of complete Bungalow furniture Rajvanshi Zula, Safes, Singer Machine, Portable Typewriter, H. M. V. Gramophone, A.C. & D.C. Fans, Ice Box, Typewriting Machine, Chesterfield Sets, Wardrobes, Baby Motor Car, Chandeliers, Harmoniums, Sofa Cabinets, Dining Table & Chairs, Show Cases, Glassware etc.

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NOTICE

INCOME-TAX

RETURN OF TOTAL INCOME AND OF TOTAL WORLD INCOME OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR FOR ASSESSMENT IN THE YEAR COMMENCING ON THE 1ST APRIL, 1941

IN PURSUANCE of sub-Section (1) of Section 22 of the Indian Income-Tax Act, 1922 (XI of 1922) each of the Income-tax Officers mentioned in column 1 of the annexed table hereby gives notice to every person subject to his jurisdiction as specified in the corresponding entry in column 2 thereof whose total income during the previous year exceeded the maximum amount not chargeable to income-tax to furnish to him within 60 days from the date of this notice a return in the prescribed form and verified in the prescribed manner setting forth (along with such other particulars as are required by the said form) the total income and total world income of such person during that year.

A copy of the prescribed form will be supplied free of charge to any person, who for the purpose of complying with this notice, applies at the office of the Income-tax Officer concerned.

PENALTY. Any person who fails without reasonable cause to furnish the return required by this notice, or fails without reasonable cause to furnish within the time allowed or in the manner required, is liable under Section 28 of the said Act to a penalty not exceeding 1½ times any tax payable by him.

PLACE OF ASSESSMENT. Under the provisions of Section 64 of the said Act, where an assessee carries on a business, profession or vocation at any place, he shall be assessed by the Income-tax Officer of the area in which that place is situate or, where the business, profession or vocation is carried on in more places than one, by the Income-tax Officer of the area in which the principal place of his business, profession or vocation is situate; and in all other cases an assessee shall be assessed by the Income-tax Officer of the area in which he resides.

Provided that where an Income-tax Officer has been specially empowered to assess certain classes of incomes and certain classes of persons, the assessment of such persons and such incomes will be made by the Income-tax Officer so empowered.

BOMBAY CITY

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" D. K. Kelkar.

Bombay 22nd April, 1941.

BOMBAY CITY TABLE.

1 INCOMETAX OFFICER NAME & DESIGNATION.	ADDRESS.	2 JURISDICTION
Mr. J. P. BILLIMORIA, Income-tax Officer, A Ward, Bombay.	Central Government Building, Queen's Road, Bombay.	Streets comprised in A Ward Bombay City, a list of which will be found on the Notice Board in the Income-tax Offices at Central Government Building, Queen's Road, Bombay City.
Mr. G. H. GONDALIA, B.Com., A.S.A.A., Income-tax Officer, A Ward Bombay.	—do—	Streets comprised in A Ward, —do— —do— —do—
Mr. A. C. MEHTA, B.A., Income-tax Officer, AA Ward, Bombay.	Central Government Building, Queen's Road, Bombay.	Streets comprised in AA Ward, Bombay City, a list of which will be found on the Notice Board of the Income-tax Offices at Central Government Building, Queen's Road, Bombay City.
Mr. N. J. LAWYER, B.A., Income-tax Officer, B Ward, Section I, Bombay.	do	Streets comprised in B Ward, Section I, do do
Mr. V. V. APTE, M.A., Income-tax Officer, B Ward, Section II, Bombay.	do	Streets comprised in B Ward, Section II, do do
Mr. F. H. VALIBHOY, B.Com., Income-tax Officer, B Ward, Section II, Bombay.	do	Streets comprised in B Ward, Section II, do do
Mr. Y. A. TAMHANE, B.A., LL.B., Income-tax Officer, C Ward, Section I, Bombay.	do	Streets comprised in C Ward, Section I, do do
Mr. W. K. GHARPUREY, B.Sc. (Bom.), B.Sc. (Lond.), Income-tax Officer, C Ward, Section I, Bombay.	do	Streets comprised in C Ward, Section I, do do
Mr. P. T. RANADIVE, B.Sc., Income-tax Officer, C Ward, Section II, Bombay.	do	Streets comprised in C Ward, Section II, do do
Mr. B. P. SURTI, G.D.A., Income-tax Officer, C Ward, Section III, Bombay.	do	Streets comprised in C Ward, Section III, do do
Mr. A. L. KAZI, B.A., LL.B., Income-tax Officer, D Ward, Section I, Bombay.	do	Streets comprised in D Ward, Section I, do do
Mr. M. N. DESAI, B.A., LL.B., Income-tax Officer, D Ward, Section II, Bombay.	do	Streets comprised in D Ward, Section II, do do
Mr. C. K. BUTALA, F.A.A., Income-tax Officer, E Ward, Bombay.	do	Streets comprised in E Ward, Bombay City, do do
Mr. J. M. GANDHI, Income-tax Officer, G Ward, Bombay.	do	Streets comprised in G Ward, Bombay City, do do
Mr. M. N. WAGH, Income-tax Officer, Market Ward, Bombay.	do	Streets comprised in Market Ward, Bombay City, do
Mr. V. S. JATAR, B.Com., Income-tax Officer, Salaries, Section I, Bombay.	do	All cases of (1) persons, being employees serving in the Bombay City or employers other than Companies as defined in section 2 (6) of the Indian Income-tax Act, 1922, and who received in the previous year income from "Salaries" of not less than Rs. 2,000 per annum excluding persons employed in the Income-tax Department, (2) pensioners residing in the City of Bombay and who drew pension in the previous year of not less than Rs. 2,000 per annum and (3) employees of the G.I.P. Railway and the B.B. & C.I. Railway Co., Ltd., wherever they may be serving except those under the audit of the Audit Officer, Railway Collieries, Calcutta. 2. All cases of Government servants employed under the Director General of Observatories, Poona, the Director, Madras and Kodaikanal Observatories, the Meteorologist, Upper Air Observations, Agra, and the Meteorologist, Karachi, who are under the audit of the Accountant General, Bombay.
Mr. V. R. AKERKAR, B.A., LL.B., Income-tax Officer, Salaries, Section II, Bombay.	do	(i) Persons being employees serving in Bombay City of Companies as defined in section 2 (6) of the Indian Income-tax Act, 1922, who received in the previous year income from "Salaries" of not less than Rs. 2,000 per annum. (ii) Employees of the Rajputana Minerals Co., Ltd., who received in the previous year income from "Salaries" of not less than Rs. 2,000 per annum.

Public Notices

1 INCOME-TAX OFFICER NAME AND DESIGNATION.	ADDRESS.	2 JURISDICTION.
Mr. V. M. KAIKINI, B.A., Income-tax Officer, Companies Circle, Bombay.	Central Government Building, Queen's Road, Bombay.	All cases of (1) companies coming under the definition of a "Company" in section 2 (6) of the Income-tax Act, 1922, and having the registered office or principal place of business in the City of Bombay (2) assessees who in the past used to receive notices under section 22 (2) from the Companies Circle, Bombay, under "No. Com Original" (3) non-residents whose income arises in the Bombay Presidency and who are not assessed through statutory agents under section 43. Other cases as shown in the list of streets which will be found on the Notice Board in the Income-tax Office, Bombay City, at the Central Government Building, Queen's Road, Bombay.
Mr. CHAUDHRI HAR PRASAD SINGH, M.A., LL.B., Income-tax Officer, Companies Circle, Bombay.	do	do do do do do
Mr. B. D. JOG, B.A., G.D.A., R.A., Income-tax Officer, Companies Circle, Bombay.	do	do do do do do
Mr. F. N. MARSHALL, Income-tax Officer, Non-Residents' Refund Circle, Bombay.	do	Persons not resident in British India whose total income is made up of income wholly taxed at source or dividends or both. Pensioners who draw their pensions in the United Kingdom and reside in Indian States. Pensioners who draw their pensions through Post Offices in Indian States and reside in those states. Religious and charitable institutions outside British India not liable to income-tax under section 4 (3) (i) and (ii) of the Indian Income-tax Act applying for refund of tax deducted at source on interest on securities or for exemption certificates in respect thereof. "Thana Funds" administered by Political Agents in Kathiawar. Local or Thana Funds administered by Government Officers in Indian States or in British Administered areas in those States which are either not liable to income-tax or have been exempted under section 60 of the Act when application is made on their behalf for refund of certificates in respect thereof.
Mr. N. V. DESAI, B.Com., G.D.A., Income-tax Officer, Circle I, Bombay.	do	All persons assessed under section 44-C. Such cases as have been assigned and such cases as may, from time to time, be assigned by the Commissioner of Income-tax for the Provinces of Bombay, Sind, British Baluchistan and Ajmer-Merwara, under section 5 (5) of the Indian Income-tax Act, XI of 1922.
Mr. D. N. SABAVALA, B.A., Income-tax Officer, Circle II, Bombay.	do	do do do do do
Mr. G. V. NERURKAR, B.A., LL.B., Income-tax Officer, Circle III, Bombay.	do	do do do do do

N.B.—The jurisdiction of the above Income-tax Officers does not cover cases assigned or that will hereafter be assigned by the Central Board of Revenue to the Commissioner of Income-tax (Central), under section 5(2) of the Indian Income-tax Act, 1922.

Mr. H. S. RAMASWAMI, B.A., B.L., Income-tax Officer, Section I (Central).	Central Government Building, Queen's Road, Bombay.	Such cases as have been assigned and such cases as may from time to time be assigned to the Commissioner of Income-tax (Central) by the Central Board of Revenue to the exclusion of the Commissioner of Income-tax for the Provinces of Bombay, Sind, British Baluchistan, and Ajmer-Merwara, under section 5(2) of the Indian Income-tax Act and have been allotted and may from time to time be allotted to him by the Commissioner of Income-tax (Central) under section 5(5) of that Act.
Mr. V. T. SHAH, Income-tax Officer, Section II (Central).	—do—	—do— —do— —do— —do—
Mr. A. J. SHAH, B.Com., G.D.A., A.S.A.A. Income-tax Officer, Section III (Central).	—do—	—do— —do— —do— —do—
Mr. S. B. ATHALYE, M.A., LL.B., Income-tax Officer, Section IV (Central).	—do—	—do— —do— —do— —do—
Mr. A. L. CHAUGULE, Income-tax Officer, Section V (Central).	—do—	—do— —do— —do— —do—
Mr. P. S. BAGADTHEY, M.A., LL.B., B. Com., Income-tax Officer, Section VII (Central).	—do—	—do— —do— —do— —do—
Mr. R. S. SABNIS, B. Com., Income-tax Officer, Section VIII (Central).	—do—	—do— —do— —do— —do—
Mr. G. L. POPHALE, M.A. (Cantab.), Bar-at-Law, Income-tax Officer, Section IX (Central).	—do—	—do— —do— —do— —do—
Mr. J. F. TATA, Income-tax Officer, Section X (Central).	—do—	—do— —do— —do— —do—
Mr. N. V. DAMLE, M.A., LL.B., Income-tax Officer, Section VI (Central).	—do—	—do— —do— —do— —do—& cases of all persons serving under the Central Government in the Income-tax Department in the provinces of Bombay, Sind, British Baluchistan, and Ajmer-Merwara.

AHMEDABAD RANGE TABLE.

1 INCOME-TAX OFFICER NAME AND DESIGNATION.	ADDRESS.	2 JURISDICTION.
Mr. B. E. KUMANA, B. Com., G.D.A., A.S.A.A., Income-tax Officer, A Division, Ahmedabad.	Income-tax Office, Ahmedabad.	Streets comprised in Ahmedabad City, A Division, a list of which will be found on the Notice Board in the Income-tax Office, Ahmedabad.
Mr. R. P. KAPADIA, M.A., LL.B., Income-tax Officer, B Division, Ahmedabad.	—do—	Streets comprised in Ahmedabad City, B Division, a list of which will be found on the Notice Board in the Income-tax Office, Ahmedabad.
Mr. V. C. TAVKAR, B.A., Income-tax Officer, C Division, Ahmedabad.	Income-tax Office, Ahmedabad.	Streets comprised in Ahmedabad City, C Division, a list of which will be found on the Notice Board of the Income-tax Office, Ahmedabad.
Mr. D. G. DEOKAR, M.A., Income-tax Officer, Ahmedabad District & Mount Abu.	Income-tax Office, Ahmedabad.	The whole of the Ahmedabad District with the exception of Ahmedabad City; the District of Mount Abu.
Mr. A. R. CHINDERKAR, Income-tax Officer, Kaira District.	Income-tax Office, Kaira, Nadiad.	The whole of Kaira District.
Mr. M. I. PATEL, B.Com., G.D.A., R.A., Income-tax Officer, Broach & Panch Mahals Districts.	Income-tax Office, Broach.	The whole of Broach and Panch Mahals Districts.
Mr. R. M. MODY, Income-tax Officer, Surat City.	Income-tax Office, Surat.	Surat City.
Mr. S. S. BHARUCHA, Income-tax Officer, Surat District.	Income-tax Office, Surat.	The whole of the Surat District with the exception of Surat City.
Mr. P. E. GOLWALA, M.A., LL.B., Income-tax Officer, East Khandesh District.	Income-tax Office, Jalgaon.	The whole of East Khandesh District.
Mr. Y. B. KORGAONKAR, B.Com., Income-tax Officer, Nasik District.	Income-tax Office, Nasik.	The whole of the Nasik District.
Mr. P. K. SHINDE, Income-tax Officer, West Khandesh District.	Income-tax Office, Dhulia.	The whole of the West Khandesh District.
Mr. C. D. Amin, B.A., Income-tax Officer, Ahmedabad Circle.	Income-tax Office, Ahmedabad.	Such cases as have been assigned and such cases as may, from time to time, be assigned by the Commissioner of Income-tax for the Provinces of Bombay, Sind, British Baluchistan, & Ajmer-Merwara, under section 5 (5) of the Indian Income-tax Act, XI of 1922.

N.B.—The jurisdiction of the above Income-tax Officers does not cover cases assigned or that will hereafter be assigned by the Central Board of Revenue to the Commissioner of Income-tax (Central), under section 5(2) of the Indian Income-tax Act, 1922.

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BELGAUM RANGE

TABLE.

1 INCOME-TAX OFFICER		2 JURISDICTION.
NAME AND DESIGNATION.	ADDRESS.	
Mr. R. G. DESHPANDE, M.A., Income-tax Officer, Ahmednagar District.	Income-tax Office, Ahmednagar.	The whole of the Ahmednagar District.
Mr. M. H. VARIAVA, B.Com., Income-tax Officer, Sholapur District.	Income-tax Office, Sholapur.	The whole of Sholapur District.
Mr. V. R. MUZUMDAR, Income-tax Officer, Poona City.	Income-tax Office, Poona-City, Poona.	All assessees from the City and Cantonment of Poona. Persons not resident in British India and not assessed through statutory agents under section 43 any part of whose income is derived from horse racing.
Mr. V. R. MUZUMDAR, Income-tax Officer, Poona District.	Income-tax Office, Poona District, Poona.	The whole of Poona District excepting the City and Cantonment. Military employees under the audit of the Controller of Military Accounts, Poona, and Southern Command, Poona, and persons with incomes from salaries and pensions from City and District of Poona, excluding employees of the Income-tax Department.
Mr. P. K. VALVEKAR, B.A., B.Com., Income-tax Officer, Satara District.	Income-tax Office, Satara.	The whole of Satara District.
Mr. N. P. MUNSHI, B.A., Income-tax Officer, Bijapur District.	Income-tax Office, Bijapur.	The whole District of Bijapur.
Mr. B. B. KHAN, Income-tax Officer, Thana and Bombay Suburban Districts.	Income-tax Office, Thana.	The whole of Thana and Bombay Suburban Districts.
Mr. M. P. MUZUMDAR, Income-tax Officer, Dharwar and Kanara above Ghat Talukas.	Income-tax Office, Dharwar.	The whole District of Dharwar and all the talukas above Ghat from Kanara District of which a list will be found on the Notice Board of the Income-tax Office.
Mr. J. R. KHAMBATTA, B.A., LL.B., Income-tax Officer, Kolaba and Ratnagiri Districts.	Income-tax Office, Alibag.	The whole of the Kolaba and Ratnagiri Districts.
Mr. D. K. KELKAR, Income-tax Officer, Belgaum District and Kanara below Ghat Talukas.	Income-tax Office, Belgaum.	All talukas and Petas in the Belgaum District and all talukas below Ghat from Kanara District, a list of which will be found on the Notice Board of the Income-tax Office.

N.B.—The jurisdiction of the above Income-tax Officers does not cover cases assigned or that will hereafter be assigned by the Central Board of Revenue to the Commissioner of Income-tax Central), under section 5(2) of the Indian Income-tax Act, 1922.

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"UNWARRANTED AGITATION"

Sikander's Appeal To Assembly To Accept Amendment To Markets Bill

LAHORE, April 25.

The Punjab Assembly had a heated discussion on the Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets Amendment Bill which was introduced by the Hon. Sir Sikander Hyat Khan, Premier.

Introducing the Bill the Premier referred to the international situation and said that any agitation of this type was apprehended to create bad blood and lead to communal troubles. The Markets Act, he said, if passed would do away with some irregularities now existing in the Punjab trade transactions. He termed the agitation as unwarranted and appealed to all to give up agitation and take part in the war efforts and create a normal atmosphere specially at this critical juncture.

GOVT.'S OWN CREATION

Sardar Santok Singh, leader of the Opposition, raising a point of order, said that the commercial deadlock was indirectly a creation of the Government. Traders, he said, were forced to take a drastic step.

Replying to the debate the Premier said that the Government were forced to introduce a new penal clause in view of the situation created by the commercial deadlock. If he were given an assurance, the Premier added, that traders would work in such a way that the penal clause would not be necessary, he would delete it.

The House agreed to discuss the other clauses leaving the penal clause for discussion on Monday.—United Press.

Lorry Held Up And Passengers Kidnapped

PESHAWAR, April 25.

A passenger lorry was held up by hostiles on Dera-Ismail-Khan Kulachi Road last evening about five miles from Kulachi.

The gang kidnapped seven persons of whom five were later released.—A. P.

ABUSE OF SCIENCE AND KNOWLEDGE

"This Museum Symbolises Our Protest Against Nazism"

BENARES, April 21.

"This museum symbolizes our protest against Nazism, which is another name for the abuse of science and knowledge, perversion of religion and refinement. Travesty of education and culture and persistent ill-treatment of the learned," said Mr. K. S. M. Zafar Hussain Khan, Inspector of Schools, Benares, opening the War Section of the Central Hindu School Museum yesterday.

Mr. Zafar Hussain Khan said that the present day German schools operated under the Propaganda Ministry and were veritable seminaries for the indoctrination of the Nazi cult. The throttlehold of Nazism was applied to public schools so tightly that no breach of freedom was left behind. Nazism had proved to be a negation of freedom and democracy, and its dictates were diametrically opposed to our own ideology.—A. P.

Rural Reconstruction In Hyderabad State

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

HYDERABAD, (By Mail).

Better farming constitutes an important part of the Rural Reconstruction Department of the Hyderabad State.

From the point of view of average yield per acre, in the state as in the rest of India, there is tremendous scope for improvement. The yield can be increased from 100 to 300 per cent in most cases.

A hundred factors are responsible for the low yield. Lack of good seed, absence of scientific manure and of system of rotation in raising crops are some of the main factors.

The Rural Reconstruction Department concentrates on these three aspects in its fight for better farming.

The annual report of the department for the year 1939-40 says that "it is a mistake to think that the ryot is slow in adopting improved means and methods of cultivation. He judges things by results, and once it is demonstratively proved to him beyond doubt that a particular variety of seed or manure will give better return, he is sure to adopt it unless he is deterred by the limitation of his purse."

This undoubtedly provides the most hopeful ground for rapid improvement in average acreage yield.

ARYA SAMAJISTS AND 'LOHARU' INCIDENT

(From A Correspondent)

GONDA, (By Mail).

At a general meeting of the Arya Samaj, Gonda held under the presidency of Mr. Sukhdeo Narayan a resolution was passed unanimously urging upon the Crown representative to institute an impartial enquiry into the 'Loharu' incident.

RANI OF HATHAURA SUES HUSBAND

Claims Rs. 2,00,000 As Damages For Being Shot At

LUCKNOW, April 24.

Rani Subhadra Devi of Hathaura has filed a civil suit against her husband, Kunwar Shyama Kumar Singh, the Raja of Hathaura and Rani Abhai Raj Keur, the Rajmata, claiming Rs. 2,00,000 as damages for injuries she had sustained when she was shot at in 1933.

The Raja and the Raimata, it will be recalled, are undergoing a sentence of 14 years imprisonment on a charge of conspiracy to murder Rani Subhadra Devi—A. P.

ACUTE WATER SCARCITY IN ALMORA

ALMORA, April 24.

The citizens of Almora are undergoing hardship owing to water scarcity during the last one month. Unless the monsoon breaks shortly, it is apprehended, the situation would become acute.

Priests and Pandits are offering prayers in temples to the Rain God.—A. P.

A.-I. Ayurveda Vidyapith

MADRAS, April 24.

Dr. A. Lakshmipathi in a communication to the Press says: The All India Ayurveda Vidyapith at the last annual session held at Lucknow on April 14, 1941 resolved to conduct a course of lectures for two months for the benefit of those who have been teaching Ayurveda.

An expenditure of Rs. 10,000 for the purpose has been sanctioned.

A committee consisting of Sri Pandit Siva Sarma of Lahore, Ganesh Datta Saraswat of Delhi, Kaviraj Pratap Singh of Behares, Pandit Kishore Datta of Cawnpore and Dr. A. Lakshmipathi of Madras (convener) was appointed to take necessary action. It is proposed to invite reputed scholars from various provinces and states in India to deliver lectures on different subjects.—A. P.

City's Health Returns

The health returns of Bombay during the 16th week of 1941, i.e. the week ended 19th April 1941, were as under:—

"The total mortality 685 was 57 less than that of the last week and the death rate registered was 23.9 on the Census population of 1941, as against 560 and the death rate 25.2 for the 16th week of 1940. The average mortality for the corresponding weeks during the preceding quinquennium, was 600 and the death rate 26.8.

Out of the total deaths, 171 were among infants under one year of age. During the week smallpox caused 70 attacks (including 7 imported) and 37 deaths. Cholera and plague were absent. There were 11 deaths from Typhoid. Cerebro spinal fever caused 4 attacks (including 2 imported—one each from Bandra and Santa-Cruz) but no death.

The number of live births registered during the week was 657 as against 725 for the 16th week of 1940 and 659 the quinquennial average for the corresponding weeks in the five years (1936/40).

Beighton Cup Hockey

Bhagwant Club Forced To Goalless Draw

CALCUTTA, April 25.

The Bhagwant Club, winners of the Aga Khan Hockey Tournament, were forced to a goalless draw by Rampur State in the third round of the Beighton Cup Hockey tournament this evening Extra time was played.

Bhopal Wanderers entered the fourth round defeating the B. Y. A. Lucknow, by two goals to nil. Their superior combination coupled with brilliant stick work took Bhopal to victory.

Military Medicals made their exit from the Tournament having been defeated by the Port Commissioners by a goal to nil. The Medicals paid the penalty for depending on one forward to win them the match.

The Port Commissioners to-day appeared a better team than on previous days. Charanjit Rai scored the all important goal for the Port Commissioners.

The B. G. Press beat one of Calcutta's fancied sides for the Beighton Cup, the Calcutta Rangers, by a goal to nil. Brendish scored the goal for the Pressmen off a short corner early in the second half.—A. P.

Beighton Cup Match Results

CALCUTTA, April 25.

Following are the results of matches in the Beighton Cup Hockey Tournament:

Bhopal Wanderers 2, B.Y.A., Lucknow, 0.

B. G. Press 1, Rangers 0.

Port Commissioners 1, Military Medicals 0.

Bhagwant Club 0, Rampur State 0.—A.P.

D. F. A. Shield Tournament

NEW DELHI, April 25.

In the D. F. A. Shield Tournament this evening the match between the Sind Football Association, Karachi and the Bangalore Crescent ended in a goalless draw.

The standard of football was mediocre and neither side impressed the spectators. The Karachi team was the better side however and had the better of the exchanges. The forwards failed to strike form and owing to poor finish lost the few chances that came their way. The defences tackled the attacking forwards well.—A. P.

EROSION OF DIBRUGARH TOWN

DIBRUGARH, April 21.

The erosion of the town of Dibrugarh by the rising waters of the Brahmaputra has assumed serious proportions. During the past week, about 200 square feet of land in North Amolaputty and almost double of it towards the steamer station have been eroded. The weekly rate of erosion is estimated at 200 square feet at the present moment, which may perhaps be multiplied when heavy rains set in and the current of the river becomes sharper.

Almost the whole of the northern half of the town is threatened with erosion apart from the valuable land and institutions already taken up during the past few years. Following successive erosions for several years the Municipality and the Local Board made representations to the Government for the protection of the town which is the largest in area in Assam and is the leading trade centre in the province. The Government, after preliminary enquiries, invited the Irrigation Engineer, Bengal, who submitted a scheme involving a capital expenditure of seven crores of rupees.

The Government having failed to provide the amount, the public made various efforts, but to no avail. Every year during the rains the land is eroded and the sites of many well-known institutions and offices as well as residential places have been demolished by the river.—A. P.

CALCUTTA ELECTION PETITION DISMISSED

CALCUTTA, April 23.

In accordance with the report of the Election Tribunal consisting of Mr. Justice T. J. Y. Roxburgh, Mr. J. Younie, Additional Sessions Judge of 24-Parganas, and Mr. K. B. Sen, retired Sessions Judge, His Excellency the Governor has dismissed the election petition submitted by Rai Surendranarayan Sinha Bahadur questioning the validity of the election of Sir Bijoy Prasad Singh Roy (Revenue Minister) and of eight others by members of the Bengal Legislative Assembly as members of the Bengal Legislative Council on the ground of corrupt practices.

The petitioner has been further directed to pay the respondents a sum of Rs. 3,400 as the costs.

Rai S. N. Sinha, the petitioner, was an unsuccessful candidate at the election held on March 2, 1940, in respect of nine seats in the Bengal Legislative Council to be filled up by persons elected by members of the Bengal Assembly.—United Press.

WORLD OF SPORT: HOME AND ABROAD

Progress Of Women's Hockey In Bombay

(BY LOOKER-ON)

Women's hockey is progressing fast in this city. The fact there were as many as eight teams played in the Leagues and ten in the Hayes Cup at Parel shows that quite a number of women are taking part in this fascinating game. There are people who consider this game too hard and taxing for women. But those who actually revel in it do not think so. They seem to enjoy it immensely. Their only complaint is that they cannot play as much as they would like to. Most of these girls work in various offices. They cannot get away early enough to have a little practice in the afternoons. I wonder if the office bosses would see their way to give a couple of afternoons off in the week during the hockey season to those who take part in the tournaments.

BOMBAY GREY'S ACHIEVEMENTS

There are four teams who stand head and shoulders above the rest and they are the Bombay Greys, Vincent Club Proctor Ladies and Bombay City. The last-named were the pioneers in the domain of women's hockey in Bombay. And they led the field till last year when there was a division in their ranks on an apparently flimsy issue. The result was the formation of the Bombay Greys who have now taken over the mantle from their Old Club. The Greys won both the League and the knock-out conducted by the Parel Sporting Club at Parel. The Vincent Club were runners-up in both. It stands however to the credit of the Proctor Ladies that they carried the League Championship of the B. P. H. A. at the expense of both of them.

KILLEDAR CUP

It now remains to be seen who lifts the Killedar Cup run by the Christ Church Old Boys' Association. The City having deteriorated, the ultimate fight will be between the other three. There is so little difference between them, it is difficult to forecast the final victors, although the Greys by their double victories seem to have a larger claim than the others. The pleasing feature of it all is the standard of the game displayed by the fair sex at the present moment is fairly of a high order. It is taking rapid strides. When the next All-India Tournament is held, I am sure Bombay will have a big say in the Championship May I suggest to the Maharaja of Patiala to stage an All-India Competition along with the Indian Olympic Games which will be held at Patiala next year?

SANTOSH MEMORIAL SHIELD

The Inter-Provincial Football Tournament for the Santosh Memorial Shield will be played about the middle of May. Ten Associations have entered the lists. Sind and North-West Frontier Province have expressed their inability to participate. This is rather surprising in the case of the latter as their teams play in different tournaments of the country almost every year. However all the other important associations have joined which will surely make the competition keen and interesting. I understand the draw will take place early next week.

SUB-COMMITTEE'S TASK

To me it seems the season is rather early for an important tournament of this national character To draw the fullest attention of the public and rouse their utmost enthusiasm, it should be staged at the height of the season. Even the question of selection of teams at this hour presents immense difficulties. We do not know who would be available for selection and what is the state of their form at the present moment. It will not do to pick them out on last year's show. I hope the Sub-Committee which is entrusted with the task of managing this tournament will consider every aspect of the question carefully before they arrive at final decisions. They must remember that the impression which the competition will create in the first year will have a lasting effect on the minds of the players and spectators alike, and on this its future success will greatly depend.

SIND DEPUTATION LEAVE WARDHA

Discuss Details Of Constructive Programme With Gandhiji

WARDHA, April 25.

Members of the Sind Congress Deputation discussed with Mahatma Gandhi to-day details of the Congress Constructive programme as it applied to Sind.

They are leaving Wardha for Karachi this evening.—A. P.

Popularising Khadi At Patna

PATNA, April 25.

In order to popularise khadi and Charkha an organisation with 25 members was formed at a meeting held here last evening under the presidentship of Dr. Rajendra Prasad.

Dr. Rajendra Prasad explaining the objects of the organisation, suggested that only genuine khadi from the All-India Spinners' Association should be worn. The question of stopping the sale of uncertified khadi was an All-India one and was engaging the attention of Mahatma Gandhi.

Acharya Badrinath Verma was elected President and Mr. Akhauri Chandra Shekar Sinha was elected Secretary of the organisation.—A. P.

Srivastava's Wire To Dr. Sapru

LUCKNOW, April 25.

Sir J. P. Srivastava has sent the following telegram to Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru at Allahabad:

"Highly unsatisfactory though Mr. Amery's statement may be, I suggest we should do nothing which would embarrass the British Government at a juncture when the war situation is so serious and war is so near India's borders. In fact, we should use the present opportunity to rally round the war effort of Indians of all shades of opinion under your leadership. This may ultimately become the nucleus of a strong party. In any case, our support to the prosecution of the war should be unconditional in our own interests and we should not appear to be bargaining.—A.P.

Anonymous Gift For Delhi University

NEW DELHI, April 25.

Sir Maurice Gwyer, vice-Chancellor, Delhi University has received from a friend, who desires to remain anonymous, a gift of Rs. 25,000 for the Delhi University.—A. P.

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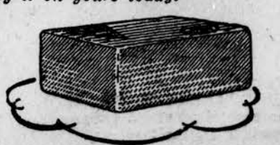

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Lowtide: 5-40; 18-04
Sunrise: 6h. 15m.
Sunset: 6h. 59m.

Domestic Occurrence

WEDDING RECEPTION CANCELLED—Owing to the unfortunate disturbances in the City, the reception on the occasion of the wedding of Mr. Fazal R. Chinoy to Miss Moonira Currimbhoy on Sunday, the 27th April, has been cancelled. Sir Rahimtooia M. Chinoy and Sir Currimbhoy Ebrahim deeply regret the inconvenience that may be caused to their esteemed guests under such unavoidable circumstances.

SOCIAL WORKERS' SOCIETY—For sanitary rounds and visiting chawls the members of the Society will meet to-day (Saturday) at 9-30 a.m. at Cotton Green Station (Harbour Branch).

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS—"Metaphysics and Ethics" will be the subject of a free public lecture to be delivered at Jehangir Wadia Building, opp. Flora Fountain, to-morrow (Sunday) at 6-15 p.m.

RUPAYATAN—The first anniversary celebrations of "Rupayatan" will be held at Vanmali Hall, Dadar, to-day (Saturday) at 6 p.m. Dr. (Mrs.) D. Kamalakar will preside

SATYAGRAHIS' MEETING—An emergent meeting of all the Satyagrahis will be held to-day (Saturday) at 4 p.m. (S.T.) at the Congress House, to consider the present situation in the city.

ANANDA LODGE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY—The variety entertainment organised in aid of the Ananda Lodge Theosophical Society, Juhu, for to-day, had to be postponed to some later date

BOM. YOUTHS' LIT. DEBAT. ASSOCN.—There will be a public debate on "The Communal Problem in India is an artificial one" on Sunday (to-morrow) at 9-30 a.m. at the Vanmali Hall Building, Dadar.

Rao Saheb Patil's Bereavement

We regret to announce the sad death of the mother and son of Rao Saheb Patil, the well-known Director of Brilliant Pictures, Ltd., Great Social Life Insurance Co., Ltd. and other concerns.

BOM. SHROFFS' ASSOCN. CLOSED DUE TO RIOTS—Due to aggravation in the riot situation in the city it is hereby resolved that the members of the Bombay Shroff Association should keep their Hundi and other business closed to-day (Saturday).

GITA CLASS—Swami Sambuddhananda of the Ramakrishna Mission, Khar, will conduct the weekly class on Bhagwat Geeta at the Mission Library Hall, Khar Rd., on Sunday (to-morrow) at 9 a.m.

LECTURE ON KATHA UPANISHAD—Swami Sambuddhananda of Shree Ramakrishna Ashram will conduct the weekly class to-day (Saturday) at 5-30 p.m. in Merzellow Building, 64, Portuguese Church St., Dadar. (B.B. and C.I. Rly.)

LECTURE ON BHAGWAT GEETA—Mr. Gopalacharya, M.A., founder of the Vani Vihar Vidyalaya, will conduct the weekly class on Geeta on Sunday (to-morrow) at 9 a.m. in Merzellow Mansion, 64, Portuguese Church Street, Dadar (B.B. and C.I. Rly.)

BAND AT VICTORIA GARDENS—Under the directorship of Mr. M. A. Devicha, the Aibless Orchestra Jazz Band will play a programme of music at the Victoria Gardens, Byculla, Bombay, to-day (Saturday) commencing from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. (S.T.)

HARI KIRTAK AT GAMDEVI—Under the auspices of residents of Dadoba Religious Trusts Wadi at Gamdevi a Satyanarayan Puja will be performed to-day (Saturday). Ramdutta Krishna Shastri Deshpande will perform Hari Kirtak from 9-30 to 12-30 night (S.T.)

AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

CAPITOL—"Down Argentine Way" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.

REGAL—"Maryland" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.

METRO—"Come, Live With Me" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.

EXCELSIOR—"Hoots Mon" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.

NEW EMPIRE—"Kit Carson" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.

MAJESTIC—"Punarmilan" Daily at 4 and 7 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-30 p.m.

PATHE—"Radhika" Daily at 3-30 and 6-30 p.m Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1 p.m.

ROXY—"Naya Sansar" Daily at 3-30 and 6-30 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 12-30 noon.

MINERVA—"Lagan" Daily at 3-30 and 6-30 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1 p.m.

KRISHNA—"Khazanchi" Daily at 3-30 and 6-30 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1 p.m.

CENTRAL—"Padosi" Daily at 3-30 and 6-30 p.m.

EROS—"Kitty Foyle" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.

CHITRA—"Dushman" Daily at 4, 6-45 and 8-45 p.m. Matinee 1-15 p.m.

JAINA VIDYARTHI SANGHA—Under the auspices of the above Sangha Sardar Prithvi Singh will speak on "The Spirit of the Youth in India" to-day (Saturday) at 6-30 p.m. at the Blavatsky Lodge Hall. Mr. Motichand G. Kapadia will preside.

BOMBAY HINDU SABHA TO CONSIDER RIOT SITUATION—An emergent meeting of the Working Committee of the Bombay Provincial Hindu Sabha will be held at its office at Dadar, to-day (Saturday) at 6 p.m. (S.T.) to consider the situation arising out of the riots in the city.

HINDUSTAN SCOUT ASSOCN.—The investiture of the Scouters under training of the Training Institute for physical education Kandivli, will be held to-day (Saturday) at 5 p.m. (S.T.) in the grounds of the Institute at Kandivli, Sir Jehangir Boman Behram, Kt., will preside.

BOMBAY'S FIRST REGATTA—The city's first regatta will be held under the auspices of the Golwala's Victoria Swimming Bath, at Dharampur Boat House, Back Bay, to-morrow (Sunday) at 9 a.m. when H. H. Maharana Shree Vijayadevji of Dharampur will preside.

INDIAN MERCHANTS' CHAMBER—Annual general meeting and the annual dinner of the "Independent Group" of the Indian Merchants' Chamber to be held to-day (Saturday) at 6 p.m. have been postponed in view of the disturbed conditions in the City and of the latest Curfew Order issued by the Commissioner of Police.

MANGALOREAN CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY—The Silver Jubilee celebrations will come off at 5 p.m. to-day (Saturday) at Cama Oriental Institute Hall, Mr. Vaikunth L. Mehta presiding. Portraits in oils of late Mr. F. A. C. Rebello and Mr. Jos. L. Sequeira will be unveiled by Mr. B. V. Jadhav.

Bombay Talkies announce a special matinee of "Naya Sansar" at the Roxy at 12-30 noon to-day (Saturday) "Punarmilan" runs at the Majestic to usual timings, except that the 10 p.m. show is dropped. The daily shows are thus at 4 and 7 p.m. with a 1-30 p.m. Matinee on Saturday and Sunday.

KHADI SALES AT GHATKOPAR—During the celebration of the National Week from 6th to 20th inst. the Ghatkopar Khadi Gram Udyog Bhandar sold Rs. 1,622/15/6 worth of Khaddar, Rs. 201 worth of Ahimsak Chappals and Rs. 18/1/3 worth of Sanatan Soap and Buttons. Sales of Khadi Hundies from door to door amounted to Rs 4,000.

Charge Against Amalner Municipality

As in the opinion of the Government of Bombay the Amalner Municipality has neglected and failed to exercise and perform the powers conferred and duties imposed upon it under regulation 11 of the regulations controlling the development within the area of the Town Planning Scheme, Amalner No. 1, the Government has appointed the Collector of East Khandesh to exercise all such powers and perform all such duties on behalf of the Amalner Municipality.

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SUNDAY: 10-30 A. M.

LILY PONS JACK OAKIE in "THAT GIRL FROM PARIS"

Cholera Flares Up

Sharp Rise In Mortality In Nasik District

Plague incidence is considerably reduced in the Bijapur District, where the epidemic was till recently very severe, the figures for the week being 4 attacks and 2 deaths against 5-5 reported and 9-7 revised for the last week. There was slight increase in Dharwar, Belgaum and Ratnagiri Districts and slight decrease in Kanara District.

CHOLERA

There was a sharp rise in cholera incidence during the week and the upward trend is likely to continue during the coming months. Nasik District appears to be the worst affected District, where the infection flared up during the week, the figures of cases and deaths being 343-98 against 68-25 reported and 155-52 revised for the previous week. Figures for other districts are Ahmednagar 61-24 against 48-18 reported and 54-19 revised; Satara 11-4 against 9-2 reported and 13-3 revised; Belgaum 1-1 against 1-0 reported and 1-1 revised.

Smallpox incidence showed a tendency to increase in the Districts of Ratnagiri, Belgaum, Ahmednagar, Dharwar, Kolaba and Sholapur; in the remaining it was steady.

Talk Of The Suburbs

(By A SUBURBAN MAN)

The news that Primary Schools in the Thana District will be closed owing to insufficient grant being received, has come like a bomb-shell to the people of the District.

STUDENTS' DAY

The Students and ex-students of the Government Leather Working School of Bombay, will celebrate "Students' Day" this evening at 5 p.m. at their hall at Bandra.

A very interesting and entertaining programme has been arranged for the occasion. Mr. D. C. Gupta, Director of Industries, Bombay, is to preside on this occasion.

A. R. P.

Bandra, Khar and Santa Cruz were all alert when the A.R.P. alarm was given at 11 a.m.

Wardens, Boy-Scouts and Constables carried out their duties and within a short time nearly all the streets were deserted.

Girls' High School For Andheri

(From Our Correspondent).

ANDHERI: April 25.

It is learnt from reliable sources that Andheri will shortly have a Girls' High School under highly qualified lady-teachers. The school will have classes upto Matriculation and the University as well as the Government have already been approached for the recognition of the school.

The management of the school at present is under an influential committee of well-known citizens; the ex-Sheriff of Bombay, Syt. Mathuradas Vissanji being the President of the Committee.

The Committee has decided not to take any entrance fees from the applicants enlisting before June ending.

Further information and particulars will be available at Syt. Ramnarayan Ruia's Bungalow, near Bank of India Building, Ghodbunder Road, Andheri.

Relief To Dacca Riot Victims ...

Swami Sambuddhananda writes:—Public are aware of the disastrous and helpless situation of different parts of East Bengal, particularly the Dacca District, caused by the recent communal riot. Loot, arson and indiscriminate stabbing of innocent souls have been rampant. Thousands are homeless and helpless. 20,000 people have sought shelter in the nearest native State of Tipperah. Thousands have flocked to nearest towns.

With a view to rendering immediate relief to the worst sufferers of those places, relief operations have been started by local centres of the Ramakrishna Mission.

We appeal to public to extend their benevolence to the suffering humanity.

Any contribution, however small, will be thankfully received by the President, Secretary or Treasurer of the Ramakrishna Ashram, Khar, Bombay 21.

"A" WARD MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS COMMITTEE—At a meeting of the "A" Ward Municipal Schools Committee held at the Corporation Hall, Bombay, on Thursday last Major S. R. Bamji, F.R.S.A., J.P., was elected Chairman for the year 1941/42 for the third year in succession and Mr. Rustom J. J. Mody was elected Hon. Secretary for the third year.

Ban On Liquor Advertisements To Go

GOVERNOR'S ACT REPEALS RELEVANT PROVISIONS GOVERNING RESTRICTIONS

Sections 42-E and 43-A of the Bombay Abkari Act imposing restrictions against liquor advertisements appearing in newspapers, etc., published in the Province of Bombay were originally passed with the object of aiding the policy of total prohibition. In view of the High Court decision of July 1940, the Government of Bombay had to modify its excise policy so far as consumption and possession of liquor, especially foreign liquor, was concerned.

Representations have since been received by the Government that in the situation which has come into existence as a result of the High Court's judgment, the restrictions on liquor advertisement have now lost their justification, and the only result of these sections of the Act still being in force is to place an unnecessary handicap on the newspapers published in the Province.

It has been pointed out in this connection, that country liquor and toddy are hardly ever advertised in the public press, and the restrictions now imposed under the Act operate only against advertisements of foreign liquor, and of spirituous and medicinal preparations, including medicated wines, arishtas and asawas, which are now freely allowed to be sold.

The Government agrees that in present conditions, the prohibition of such advertisements is no longer justified and has accordingly decided to repeal the relevant provisions contained in Part XI-B of the Bombay Abkari Act, 1878. A Governor's Act giving effect to this decision is being published to-day.

WITH THE BRITISH FIGHTING FORCES

Indians In R. A. M. C.

The following gentlemen from India hold Emergency Commissions in the Royal Army Medical Corps in Britain:

Sudhindra Lal Biswas; Gurdit Singh Dhillon; Anant Gangadhar Kulkarni; Dhanjishaw Fardunji Mehta; Saiyid Masud Husain Naqvi; Frederick Kinchant Blakeman Quanborough; Shaikh Abdul Hakeem Qureshi; Satijiban Chatterjee; Ramanarayana Kesava Pillay; Gulab Mann; Hem Raj Anand and Krishnan Kumar.

This list does not include the names of six gentlemen from India given commissions in the R. A. M. C. before May 25, 1940.

DADOBA GAWAND SHIELD CRICKET TOURNAMENT

The final match of the above tournament will be played to-day (Saturday) and to-morrow (Sunday) at Dadar Hindu Gymkhana, Shivaji Park, between the Dadar Union C.C. and the Mahim Juvenile C.C., the holders of the last year. On Saturday, the match will commence at 3 p.m. and will be continued on Sunday from 10-30 a.m.

BHARDA NEW HIGH SCHOOL—ATHLETIC SPORTS

At the BRABOURNE STADIUM TO-DAY at 3 p.m. Mr. V. D. Ghate, Educational Inspector, will preside.

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LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT

Steady progress in the various activities of local self-government is revealed by the Report of the Administration of Local Boards in Bombay Province in 1939-40. Speaking of the three divisions as a whole, the resources of the Boards may be said to be fairly steady but are not ample enough for their growing needs. Though increased local taxation is possible and in several cases necessary, it is not so easy a task as it appears to be, thanks to the poor taxable capacity of the people, particularly in the rural areas and the heavy drain on it by the Central and the Provincial Governments. For a few years past the Boards have striven hard to improve their revenue through taxation, though there has been a little laxity in the actual collection of taxes in several cases. They have not succeeded much. The whole question of local finance has been considered by the Kale Committee, whose recommendations, if adopted by Government, will be a great help to Local Boards.

Quality Sacrificed

Almost all the Boards are making strenuous efforts to extend primary education and make it available to the most backward classes. The number of schools and pupils has increased in every division and attempts are also being made to extend the benefits of education to adults through public libraries and reading rooms. Gujerat has made notable progress in this latter respect. The Ahmedabad Board started 100 reading rooms in villages, which contributed Rs. 10 each as their quota, the Broach Board started 79 and Surat has 390 Sir Purushottamdas Thakurdas libraries. Better attempts are also being made to give an agricultural bias to rural education, to provide elementary training in handicrafts and otherwise make education more practical. But we doubt if these attempts are earnest enough or on a sufficiently wide scale. The whole question of the quality of primary education needs to be radically reconsidered. We often feel in the natural desire to extend education its quality is sacrificed. In the Southern Division, we are told, "the shift system, introduced in 131 one-teacher schools, continues". Children cannot help themselves nor can they be helped by the illiterate parents in rural areas. To deny them—apart from infants—full time instruction is only make-believe instruction, especially when the instruction in even one shift is given by one teacher in charge of several classes. Care should be taken that in the name of economy the authorities do not perpetrate a fraud.

Education Of Harijan Children

So far as the education of Harijan children is concerned, it is gratifying to note that there is now little or no difficulty in their being admitted to common schools. "The Broach Board", says the report for the Northern Division, "took vigorous action in order to give admission to Harijan boys in the Board's schools without any distinction. As a result of the objections raised by the public four schools had to be closed; two out of these four were subsequently re-opened as the village people agreed to the admission of Harijan boys into the school. The result is that in no school of the Broach Board is a distinction between Harijans and Caste Hindu observed". Yet it is a pity that two of the four closed schools have not been reopened. The Report for the Central Division says: "There was no trouble in any district regarding admission or seating of the depressed class children. The appointment of a Special Organiser in East Khandesh facilitated the increase in the number of pupils belonging to the Aboriginal Tribes and the Scheduled Classes". Every Board may well appoint a special officer and a Committee to safeguard the interests of all backward classes including Harijans. Local self-government cannot be a success if the backward classes are not benefited by it and trained for it.

Disturbed Bombay

The speed with which the Governor of Bombay acted on receipt of the news of disturbances in Ahmedabad by flying to that city resulted in a steady and speedy improvement in the situation there. Latest reports suggest that confidence is being rapidly restored and that Ahmedabad is returning to normal. All mills, except one, are reported to be working with large complements of workers and everything points to the conclusion that there is no possibility of a recrudescence of the trouble.

H. E.'s Warning

In this city, however, the situation is frankly, not so re-assuring Since the first alarm was sounded on Sunday night, we have been told that the situation is under control and that everything possible was being done to nip the trouble in the bud. We recognise that precautions have been taken and constant vigil by the police checked—but only checked—a flare up for five days. There was, however, no sign that the trouble itself had been quelled as the daily casualty lists showed. On Thursday wild rumours were afloat in the City and many feared that Friday would be a critical day. And regrettably enough the fears proved to be justified. The police opened fire four times and hooliganism also manifested itself in its worst form. As many as three score cases of injury through assault, stabbing or shooting were reported by midnight. The situation, thus, is anything but re-assuring and the people who live in panic have a right to know how after five days, the situation suddenly took a turn for the worse and reached almost alarming proportions. The question suggests itself as to how it was possible for the Congress Ministry to put down overnight the outbreak of a trouble similar to that which the City is passing through to-day. We had expected that the action then taken to maintain the peace of the City would act as an example for all future occasions. Perhaps similar action has been taken on this occasion also. But the fact remains that the City is nowhere near its return to normal life. We have urged firm action to put down wanton hooliganism and scare-mongering and we hope that Friday's experiences would not be allowed to recur. For this reason and in this hope we welcome the added rigour in the enforcement of the Curfew Order and the declaration of His Excellency the Governor that "the authorities will take the sternest action against any further breaches of the peace."

Duty Of City Fathers

While the authorities act in their own way, there is a grave responsibility to be discharged by public bodies. We understand that the Provincial Congress Committee is taking steps to allay public panic and in other ways to restore peaceful conditions. It is welcome news and we hope that whatever steps are taken will be speedily and effectively taken. Public support and co-operation will, we have no doubt, be forthcoming in ample measure. The Mayor of Bombay as the first citizen and first servant of the City cannot delay the setting up of an All-Party Committee whose function it will be to tour the disturbed areas and carry the message of peace, unity and harmony from street to street. There is urgent need for organising non-communal relief and rescue centres. Besides, every responsible person, no matter what community he may belong to, should consider himself as soldier of peace and harmony and do everything to counter alarming rumours and check them from spreading. The paramount duty today is to bring to an end the ugly situation and to restore public confidence. In that task we are confident there will be maximum co-operation, goodwill and confidence between the authorities and representative public opinion.

Frankly Speaking

On The Brink

It might have been expected that the assistance rendered by America and Britain or at least the sufferings of an already starving population would deter General Franco from definitely joining the Axis. But latest reports from Lisbon suggest that a somersault by General Franco is now only a matter of days whether due to German pressure or also through his own free will. German insistence is natural enough. The Nazis would like to pursue their success in the Balkans and North Africa to the utmost possible limit and without any loss of time. Hence their urgent demands upon Spain. And since General Franco is not going to resist, Spain must again experience the miseries and ravages of war, which is a pity. As to the attack upon Gibraltar, it is just possible that the Fuehrer may not find it quite an easy task.

In The War

We have already referred to the statement of Colonel Knox in connection with the problem of American assistance in protecting supplies to Britain. Mr. Cordell Hull has also said much the same thing in his broadcast to the nation. But the pronouncements of these two members of the Administration indicate something more than just escorting supply ships across half the Atlantic. They indicate a sense of a decisive-crisis and a determination to set aside half measures in dealing with the war situation. The U.S.A. seems has now made up its mind to challenge not only the Axis but also its partner, Japan. For these declarations coincide also with the ratification by Japan of her neutrality pact with Russia. Moreover, Colonel Knox at least has bluntly denounced Japan as a potential enemy exactly like Germany and Italy. Whether American reaction will check Japan or precipitate the crisis in the Pacific is not yet clear. But America is undoubtedly in the war now.

Battle Of The Atlantic

Referring to a statement made by President Roosevelt we wondered, a few days ago, if it is was not really his intention to convoy American ships half way through the Atlantic upto the "combat zone" and there hand them over to the British Navy. This arrangement would at once clear the Western Atlantic of German raiders and reduce the strain on the British Navy practically by one half. Mayor La Guardia, who is the head of the American side of the U. S. A.—Canadian Defence Commissions, has clarified, as we think, the President's intentions still further. For he has declared that "Canada and the United States were prepared to defend not only the coastline of North America but the seas for over 900 miles from the shore.' And now Colonel Knox, the Navy Secretary, has made a statement which leaves virtually no doubt about the question, since, according to him, America is now going to see to it that Britain receives American war supplies and food stuffs in spite of the Fuehrer. The Battle of the Atlantic is now about to take a new and radical turn.

West Or South-West

What is Russia's own next move—if any—after the ratification of the Russo-Japanese Neutrality Pact? Speculations as regards Soviet foreign policy are rather useless, but this question has been provoked a recent cable to the London *Times* from its Tokyo correspondent. Russia has been moving troops from the Far East and the correspondent quotes a Japanese authority on Russian affairs to the effect that these troops are being transferred to the "other direction in order to cope with the situation in Europe." They are, according to the "general impression" in Tokyo, going to the Russo-German frontier. This is theory number one. There is, however, an alternative theory to the same extraordinary fact of the movement of troops. Japanese papers say that Russia is now a quasi-member of the Axis bloc with a free hand in Central Asia and some parts of the Middle East and report that Russia is demanding the western provinces of Iran and an outlet to the Persian Gulf. Hence the "Times" correspondent wonders whether the destination of Russia's Far Eastern troops may be "not so much west as south-west." All this provokes the question: What is Russia's next move?

The Battle Of Britain

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The following is the sixth instalment of the "Battle of Britain" issued by the Air Ministry of England:—

It must be borne in mind that this great battle was made up of squadron attacks followed by numbers of personal combats. all taking place at more or less the same time over this wide area. The squadrons flying in apris, or wings of three units, went into action in formation against an enemy similarly disposed. After the first attack, delivered as often as possible out of the sun, they broke up and individual duels took place all over the sky.

Certain of the more striking incidents may be briefly recorded. There were dive attacks carried out by one squadron of Spitfires which twice passed through an enemy bomber formation, each time delivering beam attacks as they did so. These tactics threw the enemy into extreme confusion. The bombers turned almost blindly and it seemed that aircraft were dropping in flames or in uncontrolled dives with every few miles of the return journey. One such aircraft, of which the cowling and cabin top blew off, shed its crew who baled out, all except the rear gunner who was to be seen hanging from the lower escape hatch until the aircraft dived into a wood ten miles east of Canterbury.

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Then there was a pilot who twice attacked an M-109 which each time strove to escape in an almost vertical dive. The first of these, from 20,000 feet, was successful, for the German pilot straightened out, but only to find that the British pilot had followed him down and was close upon him. "By that time," said the British pilot, "I was going faster than the enemy aircraft and I continued firing until I had to pull away to the right to avoid a collision." His burst of fire had taken effect, for the Germans never recovered out plunged down until he entered a cloud about 6,000 feet below, when the British pilot had to recover from the dive as his aircraft was going at approximately 480 miles per hour. "I then made my way through the cloud at a reasonable speed," he reported, "and saw the wreckage of the enemy aircraft burning furiously.....I climbed up through the cloud and narrowly missed colliding with a J-88 which was on fire and being attacked by numerous Hurricanes."

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There was also the Dornier which crashed just outside Victoria Station. The members of its crew landed by parachuté on Kennington Oval while the Hurricane pilot, who had shot it down, and whose aircraft had gone into an uncontrollable spin when the enemy blew up beneath him, landed safely in Chelsea. Nevertheless the yellow-nosed squadrons, the elite of the German Air Force, acquitted themselves bravely and showed greater skill than their less well-trained comrades. It was observed that they usually attacked in pairs disposed in line astern some 75 yards apart.

Occasionally fire at long range proved effective. Close range combat was the rule, but it is recorded that a Hurricane pilot fired at an enemy aircraft moving faster than his own and about to get out of range and hit it at 800 yards. This caused it to slow up and his second burst was fired from 500 yards. Eventually he finished it off at 25 yards. Another Hurricane pilot who had broken off a fight because the cooling system of the engine of his aircraft was giving trouble and who was therefore returning to his base encountered a lone M-109 which he stalked out of the sun and shot down from 500 yards.

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At this stage in the fight it became clear that enemy bomber pilots felt themselves to be no match for the British. It was generally observed that as soon as contact was established they jettisoned their bombs, then broke formation and turned at once for their base. Thus 20 Dornier 215s were encountered over London Docks flying in diamond formation escorted by M-109s "stepped up" to 22,000 feet. The bombers were broken up by a level quarter attack and this enabled our intercepting squadron to pursue them relentlessly and shoot down most of them.

Occasionally in this confused and struggling fight British squadrons found themselves temporarily outnumbering the enemy. Thus at 12-15 a mixed force of Hurricanes and Spitfires amounting to the greater part of five squadrons was south of the Thames over somewhere near Hammersmith where they encountered an inferior number of the enemy and did terrible execution.

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But it was seldom that we had the advantage in numbers. The enemy, however, seemed unable to profit by his numerical superiority. A single Hurricane, for example, encountered 12 yellow-nosed Messerschmitts flying straight at it. The pilot dived under them but swooped upwards and shot down a rear aircraft from directly underneath. As he still had plenty of speed the British pilot half rolled off the top of his loop and followed the enemy formation which had not apparently perceived the fate of their comrade in the rear rank. The British pilot accordingly destroyed another enemy aircraft from the rear and damaged a second before the Germans became aware of what was happening and he was forced, being still in the numerically inferiority of nine to one, to break off the action.

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The fight was all over by 12-30 and by the time citizens of London and South-East England were sitting down to their Sunday dinner the enemy were in full flight to their bases in Northern France. One of those citizens had special cause to rejoice in the result of the fighting. The Prime Minister had spent the morning in one of the Operations Rooms of No. 11 Group. It was observed that for once his cigar remained unlit as he followed the swift changes of the battle map before him.

Some of the enemy had for a brief moment succeeded in penetrating to the centre of the capital, but they dropped only a few bombs. The fire was too hot, the defence too strong. Seventy of an estimated 250 aircraft in the attack, equalling 28 per cent, were seen to crash that morning, ten more were considered probably to have been destroyed and 28 were observed by our pilots to break off action in a damaged condition. These figures, compiled immediately after the fight and in accordance with the very strict rules applied by the R.A.F. to pilots' reports, probably underestimate the casualties they inflicted. Even so the Luftwaffe lost slightly over 43 per cent of the aircraft used in this morning attack.

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Despite the sound and fury of the battle that sunny autumn day, the citizens of London had their Sunday dinner in peace. A lull ensued for about an hour and a half. Then, shortly after 2 p.m., fresh enemy forces returned to the attack in about the same strength as had been employed that morning. German aircraft crossed the coast near Dover in two waves, the first of 150, the second of 100. These formations spread over South-East and South-West Kent and over Maidstone.

Before they could proceed far-

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RAMNIVAS RUIA ON COTTON

By D. F. KARAKA

The one outstanding figure of the moment in the local world of cotton is a young smartly-tailored, courteous Marwari, Ramnivas Ruia. Always neat and dapper, his trousers beautifully pressed, his coat well-shouldered, he is seen walking in at lunch time into one of Bombay's more popular Clubs for a sandwich and a rubber of bridge. He then steps into his huge Cadillac car, dips in for a while at one or two Banks and business houses of which he is a director. till he finally comes to his office at the junction of Rampart Row and Mahatma Gandhi Road.

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I passed through an endless vista of dhoties, pugrees, ledger books and telephones before I got to the third floor of that building and was announced into the air-conditioned office of Ramnivas from whence he transacted so much of that business, which has caused a flutter in the local market. Ramnivas Ruia is not a cotton operator or a jobber. He buys cotton as you and I buy a packet of cigarettes. Recently, he caused somewhat of a sensation by informing his sellers that he wanted to take delivery of the bales he had bought. There was, as a result, a healthier tone in the market and cotton shot up to about Rs. 250 per candy. But it did not remain long at that price because the Bears trading on the foreign news, successfully brought down the prices to a level which cannot possibly be regarded as reasonable nor can it do the agriculturist any good. The result of a Bear operation is that a handful of individuals benefit, but the loss is borne by a whole nation in the shape of small holders, investors, and finally the grower. A stage has, therefore, come when cotton transactions have become of general public interest, not only from the point of view of the speculator and the investor but of the people of the land, the ryot who works on the soil and fights to eke out a living against the most terrific odds. It is time, therefore, some expression was given to views which are authoritative and which should engage the immediate attention of Government.

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Explaining to me the causes which make it possible for the Bear, who is essentially a jobber, to depress the market in India—a thing that cannot be manipulated in America, Ramnivas said: "There is no control of any sort whatsoever with regard to cotton transactions here. There is no legislation to help or to make secure the grower. In Bengal there is legislation of this kind with regard to Jute. Again, in America, since you've asked me, there are various factors operating to ensure that the Bear jobber cannot take advantage of a position to bring down prices and thereby injure the cotton grower. For instance, they have Government loans, minimum prices are fixed, there is a control of the crop, and a control of exchange. All this ensures that jobbers cannot exercise the monopoly they exercise over the Bombay market."

"These Bear jobbers," Ramnivas continued, "against the long positions they hold in America are able to make big sales in India and thereby bring the price down to a very low level. This is a distinct loss to the grower and if a Bull tries to go against this great Bear clique, he can seldom if ever succeed."

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I asked him about his recent purchases in cotton and if he had anything to say about his recent Bullish transactions, which had the effect of a squeeze on the market. "I am a genuine buyer," he said, "I buy for export and for home consumption. I have no idea of squeezing or cornering the market. But if the market squeezes by itself because of people selling short more than they can deliver, I can't help it."

Last year, the Bear clique were successful in taking advantage of the international situation and depressed the market beyond all measure or means. "The nervousness that prevailed made it impossible for me to do anything else except to transfer my holdings from April-May to July-August and again to April-May of this year. Belgium had fallen, France had gone, Holland too—and the whole situation was so nervous that I had no alternative but to settle the difference. This year, however, the position is different. There is a genuine outlet for cotton and the cotton required for home consumption is far greater than what it was last year. I am, therefore, trying to avoid giving the Bear clique a chance of manipulating the market and I am taking delivery of the cotton, for which I have a market."

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I asked him why it was that in spite of his large buy, the price had continued to depreciate. "It shouldn't, but there it is. Until Government decides to bring in some legislation to safeguard the cotton grower and to stabilise the price of cotton, to fix a minimum price and to force, as they have done with jute in Bengal, the mills to keep stocks at a certain fixed minimum price, the Bear clique can by taking advantage of a nervous market depress it more and more till the man with a small purse is squeezed out and forced to sell cheap.

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TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

Sir Reginal Maxwell, Home Member to the Government of India, was an interested spectator of Bombay's A.R.P. services in action when the eighth air raid exercise was staged in the city this morning.—Local Report.

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Interviewed regarding Mr Amery's statement, Kunwar Sir Jagdish Prasad felt the whole thing was most disappointing and unhelpful.

The joke is that Sir Jagdish Prasad was neither exaggerating nor minimising his moderate feelings.

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According to Acharya Kripalani, there is nothing new in what the Secretary of State has said.

But he did put the Old in a new bott—in new language.

In fact, as the Junior Colleague points out, in Progressive language as witness his reference to a "revolutionary" change or some such thing.

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Colonel Knox says that the Russo-Japanese agreement leaves Russia no stronger against Germany.

But then that was never the intention, was it?

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The Japanese Press, it is reported, insists that by virtue of the Russo-Japanese Neutrality Pact as a corollary to the Russo-German Pact of Non-Aggression, Russia has really become a quasi-member of the Axis bloc.

Um—it sounds like the truth doesn't it?

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But the Japanese Press goes further and hints that Russia has been allowed a free hand to occupy, for instance, the Western provinces of Iran and have an outlet to the Persian Gulf.

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But how can that be? For the Fuehrer's plan of marching from Iraq to Iran and even Eastwards would be entirely upset by a tremendous "road block".

Or perhaps it is expected that the "quasi-member" will formally join the Axis Bloc, enter the New Order and allow the passage of Nazi troops through Iran?

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Paris newspapers, which are German-controlled, devoted fulsome praise to Marshal Petain on Thursday morning on the occasion of his 86th birthday.

Yes, you might ask "what for?" with some degree of concern.

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It is reported that, on behalf of Herr Hitler, Herr Hess has called upon General Franco to stand up and deliver.

We *were* wondering how long the Fuehrer would be able to resist the temptation of the millions from Britain

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Reuter, however, recalls a story that General Franco had informed Signor Mussolini that if the Germans entered Spain he would not mobilise but demobilise, leaving the finest guerrilla fighters in the world to please themselves

Why not call it a myth

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A clerk went into his employer's room and told him he was going to be married and would like a rise in salary.

"I'm afraid I can't manage it," said the employer, "but I'll tell you what I'll do. I'll shorten your hours during the first three months so that you can spend your evenings at home, and after that I'll lengthen them again so that you will have an excuse to be away."

Water Or Disinfectant For Drinking?

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—I stay at Dadar. For the last six days the water supplied by the Municipality to any locality has been gradually smelling more and more horribly like a disinfected Municipal drain, and has a taste of something like a mixture of idoform and bleaching powder. If the water is boiled which I fear we have to do, the taste becomes still heavier and more nauseating!

But what can one do! One has to drink water, even if it is foul, or die! Is this a new expert way of purifying water? Is there no way of regulating the purifier added to the water by the Municipality? The use of this water has caused palpitation of the heart in my case, and has utterly spoiled my digestion. But in spite of this, the summer heat forces me to drink more of this water!

I am quite sure that people do not pay taxes for the supply of such water. A number of people must be suffering from the same nuisance, but they probably think that the Municipal experts know best! But experts or no experts the water, especially when warmed, is undrinkably nasty.

If anybody doubts the statement and thinks that it is exaggerated. I am prepared to supply a specimen to a representative of your paper for the benefit of the doubter.—Yours etc.

'A CRY IN THE WILDERNESS'.

CITY RIOT FLARE UP

Military Called Out: Curfew Extended

POLICE OPEN FIRE AT FOUR PLACES TO DISPERSE INFURIATED MOB

Several Cases Of Arson & Looting Reported

Communal tension in the city which lay smouldering for the last five days, suddenly flared up on Friday afternoon, resulting in several cases of incendiarism and looting and widespread assaults.

The situation, at times, became so menacing that the Police had to open fire at four different places.

60 Persons Injured

About sixty persons were injured in the course of the day and two deaths were reported by 10 p.m.

Fourteen persons are reported to have received bullet wounds in the firing. One Sub-Inspector of Police and five constables were also injured when the crowd became unruly and showered brickbats and other missiles at them.

Panic Spreads

Tense excitement prevailed in the city and many shops in the affected localities were closed. The panic spread to other places and trams and other traffic ceased to run for sometime.

Curfew Extended

The Curfew Order was instantly extended from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. The military was called for and kept ready for any emergency.

Prompt action by the police prevented the situation from getting out of hand. By dusk, however, quiet prevailed in the disturbed areas.

The situation which was kept under check by the precautionary measures taken by the authorities got out of control soon after midday on Friday when at about 1-30 in the afternoon there ensued a free fight in the vicinity of Jumma Masjid.

A vast congregation which had gathered to offer prayers at the Jumma Masjid became excited when while coming out of the mosque a rumour went round that a Muslim had been stabbed.

Enraged crowds gathered all around the place and upon being ordered by the police to disperse some rowdies from among the mob assaulted a police constable. Thereupon, panic spread like wildfire and fighting began between groups of Hindus and Muslims. The fight soon spread to Abdul Rehman Street, Sheikh Memon Street, Serang Street, Mohammed Ali Road and Masjid Bunder. Excited mobs collected in street corners, footpaths and by-lanes and the situation became serious. Stones, soda-water bottles, lathis and knives were freely used.

TRAFFIC PARALYSED

Traffic was completely paralysed. From the J. J. Hospital to the Crawford Market shops were immediately closed. Looting and arson became the order of the day and missiles were hurled at tram cars and buses going along Mohammed Ali Road. Telephone wires also, it is understood, were cut at several places.

Seven cases of incendiarism and arson were reported.

At Chakla Street an agry mob set fire to a shop in the afternoon.

Several shops were looted and set fire to at Bahat Bazar, Mandvi, Dongri and Abdul Rehman Street.

On receipt of this information armed police were rushed to the scenes of disturbance from the Pydhoni section.

POLICE OPEN FIRE

As the situation got out of control the police opened fire at four different places near Jumma Masjid, Serang Street, Sutar Chawl and Mirza Street. Sub-Inspector Talewar was hit in the face and badly hurt while he was trying to pacify an angry crowd. Stones were also pelted at the Police Commissioner's Car which was slightly damaged. At one stage an infuriated mob armed with stones and lathies, it is stated, threatened to make a rush towards Jhaveri Bazar. The police opened fire and the crowd dispersed.

Casualties

About 60 persons were admitted in the J. J., K. E. M., and G. T., hospitals by 10 p.m. Fourteen persons who received bullet wounds were among the casualties reported. The rest were either cases of stabbing or assault.

Two persons who were stabbed in the melee died.

A tramcar bound south towards Museum was stoned at Mahomed Ali Road as a result of which three persons received injuries. A Hindu who was going along Duncan Road was stabbed by some hooligans at 2-30 p.m. At Arthur Road junction a Mohamedan was the victim of a dastardly stabbing attack at 5 p.m.

Further cases of stabbing and assault were reported from Falkland Road, Bara Imam Road, Gazdar Park Road, DeLisle Road, Sandhurst Road and several other places in the city.

Panic prevailed throughout the day owing to alarmist rumours spread by irresponsible persons and scare-mongers.

By nightfall the situation was brought under control. Armed police squads were posted at strategic points in the disturbed areas and additional help was requisitioned by calling out the military.

The Commissioner of Police and the Deputy Commissioners toured the affected areas. Officers and men from different police stations patrolled the streets in police vans. A proclamation that the Curfew had been extended from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. was read out and announced by beating the gong.

Sharp at seven the police cleared the streets. The city presented a deserted appearance and traffic ceased in the areas under Curfew. A general round up of bad characters was carried out and the police maintained an all night vigil. Military squads and lorries were made to 'stand by' at the Police Head Office.

The total number of casualties since the riots started on Sunday last is 97. The death roll so far is four.

40 Persons Fined For Violating Curfew Order

Forty more persons were convicted yesterday by Mr. R. S. T. John. Extra-Additional District Magistrate, on a charge of violating the Curfew order during the riot in the city. They were sentenced to pay fines ranging from Rs 5 to Rs 15

Relief For Hindu Riot Victims

The Hon. Secretary of the Bombay Provincial Hindu Sabha writes:

An Emergent Meeting of the Working Committee of Bombay Provincial Hindu Sabha will meet to-day (Saturday) at 6 p.m. in the Sabha's office at Dadar, Deobai's Chawl, Near Maruthi Temple, Lady Jamshetji Road, to consider the present disturbed condition in the City.

The Girgaum Hindu Sabha office at Ferera Building, Opposite Kelewadi, will remain open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Hindu Sabha Leaders are daily touring the Hindu localities and attending to the needs of the Hindu riot victims. Hindus in need of help may communicate to Telephone 30841 where Rao Saheb Kothari will attend.

Hindu Relief Committee

The office of the Hindu Relief Committee has been opened at Halai Bhatia Mahajan Wadi, Kalbadevi Road. Those who are in need of rescue or relief in the riot affected areas may inform the Committee whose telephone No. is 31246.

QUIET SITUATION IN AHMEDABAD

Small Fire In Gomtipur, Only Incident On Thursday Night

AHMEDABAD, April 25.

The night passed off without an incident except a small fire caused in Gomtipur, a labour area which was immediately put out by the military.—A. P.

Prayers In Mosques Pass Off Peacefully

AHMEDABAD, April 25.

Friday prayers passed off peacefully to-day.

Mohammedans assembled at all Mosques and dispersed quietly. The authorities had taken all precautionary measures. The venue of the Friday fair when people from surrounding villages collect was changed, but none attended the fair.

All mills except one worked today with larger complements of men.—A. P.

DACCA RIOT ECHO
Jail For Four Persons

DACCA, April 25.

Three persons were convicted to-day by Mr. R. S. T. John, Extra-Additional District Magistrate, on a charge of possessing daggers and lathis, and violating the order under Section 144 Cr. P. C. during the riot. The accused were sentenced to rigorous imprisonment ranging from two to six months.

Another batch of 44 persons was brought here to-day under arrests from the riot affected villages in Narayanganj Sub-Division.—A. P.

Non-Party Leaders' Move Against Amery

(From Our Correspondent).

ALLAHABAD, April 25.

Although Dr. Sapru is keeping mum over Mr. Amery's speech, sufficient indications available show that he is keenly disappointed.

Question is being asked in some circles here whether the Standing Committee of the Bombay Conference which is meeting here on Sunday next has any practical plan to make its voice felt apart from the protests and argumentation. Rumour current here in some quarters is that the meeting of the Standing Committee will have to face difficult situation. Some younger elements in the Conference, it is stated might press for the committee's advocating non-co-operation in war efforts as a reply to the shabby treatment meted out to their demand but it is doubtful whether such a proposal stands any chance of acceptance by the committee.

It is interesting to note that Mr. K. Sreenivasan, Managing Editor of the "Hindu" has also been invited for the committee meeting

ADMIRAL HORTHY MEETS HITLER

LONDON, April 24

Hitler received at his headquarters the Hungarian regent, Admiral Horthy, on Thursday who later returned to Budapest.—Reuter.

MEERUT, April 25.—One man was mortally wounded by gun shots and his property looted when a gang of armed dacoits raided the house of a Jat in village Bachar, Chaprauli police circle.—A. P.

STERNEST ACTION AGAINST BREACHES OF PEACE

BOMBAY GOVERNOR'S WARNING: MORE RIGOROUS CURFEW

BOMBAY, April 25.

His Excellency the Governor of Bombay has issued following warning in connection with the riots:—

"There has been renewed communal disturbances in Bombay City to-day. I must give a plain warning that the authorities will take the sternest action against any further breaches of the peace".

CURFEW ORDER

The Chief Presidency Magistrate Bombay has issued the following order:—

Whereas rioting and assaults have occurred in several parts of the City of Bombay and where as there is danger to human life, health and safety and disturbance of the public tranquillity and whereas I am of opinion that immediate prevention and speedy remedy are desirable, I hereby direct the residents, frequenters and visitors of the following places in the City of Bombay, to wit,

Girgaon Road, Kalbadevi Road, Shaik Memon Street, Princess Street, Bhuleshwar Road, Thakurdwar Road, Abdul Rehiman Street, Dadyset Agiary Lane, Fanaswadi Cross Lanes, Fanaswadi Lane, Vithalwadi, Old and New Hanuman Lane, Gaiwadi, Chandanwadi, Sonapur Lane, Ibrahim Rahimtulla Road, Sandhurst Road, Mahomedali Road, Dongri Street, Jail Road (East), Mazagaon Road, Babulla Tank Road, Chinch Bandar Road, Victoria Garden Road, Koisa Mohulla, Nagdevi Street, Chuckla Street, Carnac Road, Argyle Road, Frere Road, Mandvi, Dana Bandar, Samuel Street, Khand Bazaar, Musjid Bandar Road, Bhat Bazar, Nakhoda Street, Pydhowni Road, Dontad Street, Phydhowni Junction, Bhuleshwar Road, Bapu Khote Street, Kika Street, All the Streets between Bapu Khote Street and Kika Street, Jambli Moholla, Goghari Moholla, Falkland Road, Kumbharwada, Khara Talav Road Grant Road, Golpitha, Trimbak Purshram Street, Islampura, C. P. Tank Road, Duncan Road, Khetwadi Main Road, Khetwadi Cross Roads, Khetwadi Back Road, Kandewadi Road, Lamington Road Girgaum Back Road (Vithalbhai Patel Road), Ardeshir Dady Street, All the Sreets and Lanes in Kamathipura between Duncan Road, and Sukhlaji Street and Grant Road and Bellasis Road, Forjett Street, Foras Road, The whole of Tardeo, All the Streets between Duncan Road and Ibrahim Rahimtulla Road, Belassis Road, All the Streets and Lanes in Madanpura between Morland Road, Gell Street, Ripon Road, Eyculia Station Road, DeLisle Road, Haines Road, Clare Road and Bellasis Road, Ripon Road, Haines Road, Arthur Road, DeLisle Road between Haines Road and Arthur Road, Eyculia Station Road, Jacob Circle, Clerk Road, From Chinchpokli to Kala Chowki Road, Reay Road, Ghorupdev, Mazagaon Road Dockyard Road, Mount Road, Victoria Road, Albert Road, Balaram Street, Charni Road from its junction with Girgaon Road to its junction with Grant Road, Nesbit Road, Love Lane to abstain for a period of fourteen days from the date hereof from riding, driving, walking, standing, loitering remaining in or on or otherwise using any road, public thoroughfare, highway, street, lane, bye-lane situate within the limits of the aforesaid places between the hours of 7 p.m. and 6 a.m. (Standard Time).

GALLIPOLI RECALLED

Anzac Day Luncheon At Overseas House

LONDON, April 25.

The ANZAC Day luncheon held at the Overseas House in London on Friday was a function which reflected a drama of events on the anniversary of Gallipoli in the same corner of Europe to-day.

Mr. Menzies, the Prime Minister of Australia, whose troops are carrying out a heroic withdrawal in Greece said that this was a day of 'great anxiety on which those who fight are fighting bravely and to some extent in the dark: those who keep the homes from which those men came are anxiously awaiting the result and those few who must make the decisions on which the men's lives may turn are consumed with anxiety as to what their decisions may be".

This anxiety did not spell fear, weakness, hesitation or even repinings. They were anxious, he hoped, as brave men might afford to be anxious; but their anxiety would never affect their resolution to go through this war and finish it as it should be finished.

GREECE MADE HER CHOICE

The Greek Minister in London, M. Simopoulos, said that Greece, after a historic resistance to Italy of nearly six months, was being overrun by the machines of Germany. But the King, Government and the people faced with the alternative of surrendering their liberties or defending them, had resisted and "with the full knowledge of the ordeals awaiting them they have done everything for liberty".

Field Marshal Lord Milne, who presided, had led the British forces in Macedonia in the last war and disclosed that his own son was at present somewhere in Greece and added: "I hope he is doing his best to support the gallant soldiers of the Dominions".

KING'S MESSAGE

"The unflinching heroism of the Australians who fought twenty-six years ago has shown itself again on the battlefields of Libya and Greece", says the King in a message on the occasion of ANZAC Day. "In the face of heavy odds, the ANZAC troops have been fighting magnificently by the side of a very gallant Ally in the cause of justice and liberty. As in the days, which we commemorate, Australia has good reason to be proud of her sons".

TRIBUTE TO INDIANS

General Bennett in an ANZAC Day broadcast pays a tribute to the courage and devotion to duty of the Indian mountain batteries. Once again, he said, we are associated with troops from India and the mother country. We wish to assure them about our confidence in them. It was a great privilege to be associated with them, he concluded.—Reuter.

R. A. F. Surprise Raid On Nazi Aerodrome

HEAVY AND SUCCESSFUL ATTACKS ON BENGHAZI, SICILY AND DODECANESE

LONDON, April 25.

In a surprising raid on a Nazi aerodrome in Northern France on Thursday afternoon, an R. A. F. Spitfire machine-gunned from a hundred feet several Messerschmitts on the ground. Several offensive patrols were carried out by British fighters. A Nazi raider was promptly shot down by R. A. F. fighters off the South Coast again on Friday morning.—

Renewed Attacks On N. Germany

Bombers of the Royal Air Force renewed their attacks on north-west Germany. Details of the damage done are not available but the German wireless has admitted that some damage was done.

Heavy and successful R. A. F. attacks were made on Benghazi, Sicily, and Dodecanese, according to a "communique" issued in Cairo.—

Attacks On Kiel And Wilhelmshaven

British bomber operations by day and night on German and German occupied bases are announced in an Air Ministry "communique".

In daylight operations, yesterday off the Norwegian coast, Bomber Command aircraft set an enemy tanker on fire and almost certainly destroyed it. Another formation bombed a wireless station on an island near the coast and demolished the building. During offensive patrols over Northern France yesterday, British fighters machine-gunned German fighters on their aerodromes. From these daylight operations, one British fighter is missing.

The principal targets last night were naval bases at Kiel and Wilhelmshaven which were attacked by a strong force of bombers. The brunt of the attack was against Kiel where fires were raised in the ship yards and the industrial areas and numerous high explosive bombs added to the damage. Other attacks were made during the night on docks and other objectives on the coasts of Norway, Holland, Belgium and France. Two British aircraft are missing from the night operations. —Reuter.

U. S. TROOPS REACH TRINIDAD

Port of Spain (Trinidad) April 25.

A detachment of United States troops arrived here on Thursday.

The arrival follows the signature on Tuesday of the 99 year Crown lease granting the United States a site for a naval base in Trinidad under the destroyers for bases agreement.—Reuter.

Alexander Congratulates People Of Plymouth

Mr. A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, visited Plymouth to-day. He expressed his admiration for the people of the city for having borne the ordeal of three German bombing this week.

With the reinforcements from the United States that the navy is bringing in every day we should be able to give back the Germans with interest and that is what we must do, said Mr. Alexander.—Reuter.

HOT RECEPTION TO ENEMY AIRCRAFT

LONDON, April 24.

Enemy aircraft were reported over East Anglia and in one southern area after dark on Thursday night.

A hot reception was accorded by the ground defences. The enemy first showered incendiaries in the southern area and then high explosives.—Reuter.

Black-out Exercises At Gibraltar

GIBRALTAR, April 24.

Three complete black-out exercises will be held here from dusk to dawn on Monday, Friday and Saturday next week, it is officially announced here.—Reuter.

African Air Force Harassing "Frantically" Retreating Italians

Duke Of Aosta's Shattered Forces Making Last Stand In Dessie Sector

LONDON, April 24.

After the fiercest battle of the entire Abyssinian campaign South African troops have routed the Italian forces holding the mountain barricades before Dessie, 140 miles north-east of Addis Ababa where the majority of the Duke of Aosta's scattered forces are making their last stand.

The South Africans have taken many prisoners and inflicted very heavy casualties on the enemy.

Now war planes of the South African airforce are swarming like angry bees over the frantically retreating Italians who are racing back through the mountain pass towards Dessie.

Evidently they hope that the road blocks behind them will afford them a respite. It is not yet clear whether the enemy hopes to rally his shattered forces for another stand before Dessie.

Road To Red Sea Port Cut

The Emperor Haile Selassie's Abyssinian patriot forces, operating with the South African troops have now cut the road to the Red Sea port of Assab and are also preventing an enemy retreat into the Danakil Desert to the east.

Should they flee to the north along the road to Asmara the Italians will run up against British and imperial forces under General Platt who are pressing south after their victory at Keren.

The battle before Dessie, which reached its climax on Wednesday afternoon, was fought near the head of a gorge running like a knife cut into the west wall of the valley.

The South Africans found the enemy sitting 6,000 feet up on mountain heights and grimly pouring a hail of machine-gun bullets and mortar and artillery fire at the attacking force.

Enemy Broke & Fled

Men from Natal climbed the mountains on the right flank to dislodge Bersaglieri and other Italian units.

Later troops from Transvaal on the left flank mopped up Italian artillery and observation posts.

For two hours the fight raged bitterly. Then the Italians broke and fled.

Reinforcements arriving from Dessie found their comrades in a head long flight and promptly joined in the scramble.—Reuter.

ATTACK ON SIAM & BURMA?

Nippon's Aggressive Move In Southern Pacific Predicted

CHUNGKING, April 25.

A Japanese invasion of Thailand and Burma, preparatory to striking at Singapore is predicted by Lieutenant-General Hsuo Pei Keng, senior Chinese Staff officer, writing in the "Central Daily News". This is the most likely Japanese move, following the Soviet-Japanese Pact, he declares.

In Governmental circles here it is generally believed that the Japanese operations along the coasts of Chekiang and Fukien are a prelude to a forthcoming Japanese move in the southern Pacific, the official military spokesman declaring to-day that the Japanese probably sought to secure auxiliary supply of naval and air bases along the south China coast.

In Chekiang, the Japanese forces are now advancing from Ningpo towards Fenghwai the home of Chiang Kai Shek.—Reuter.

AUSTRALIAN FEARS OF INVASION

SINGAPORE, April 25.

"Reuter's" special correspondent with the Australian G. H. Q. somewhere in Malaya writes:—British Imperial reinforcements to the Far East shall continue to come in, declared the General-Officer-Commanding the Australian Imperial forces in Malaya, Major-General Henry Gordon Bennett to the press to-day.

He insisted that Germany was the main enemy and must be destroyed. Any Far Eastern fighting would be a side issue compared with the main air.

Major-General Bennett said that the people in Australia were worried about the possibility of an invasion, but he personally thought that the outposts of Australia would have first to be battered.

Malaya, he said, might be looked upon as one of the outposts of Australia but "I have no doubt what would be the result if we were attacked by anybody from any likely source".—Reuter.

Dr. Natu Stands for University Election

Dr. M. N. NATU, a well-known and active worker from Poona is offering himself as a candidate for the ensuing election of the Senate of the University of Bombay on behalf of the Registered Graduates. Though a medical man by profession, he takes keen interest in various activities, educational and otherwise. He is closely connected with many educational institutions in Poona. He is an honorary professor in Ayurvedic College and Hon. Physician in the Tarachand Ramnath Hospital. He is a member of the Managing Council of the S. P. Mandali which conducts two High Schools in Poona and Sholapur and two Arts Colleges, the Sir Parsharam Bhau College in Poona and the Ramnarayan Ruia College in Bombay. The Mandali is this year starting two more colleges, the Tilak College of Education for teachers in Poona and the Poddar College of Commerce of Bombay.

DR. M. N. NATU

Being a keen sportsman he is in touch with the Physical Education activities of the Province. He was a member of the Physical Education Committee appointed by the Bombay Government in 1937. He is an Hon. Secretary of the Akhil Maharashtra Sarvika Shikshana Mandal (Physical Education Association) and is in close touch with the Olympic Association.

His association with the Scout Movement for the last 22 years is well-known. He has identified himself with the Scout movement right since it was opened up for Indians by the late Dr. Annie Beasant in 1918. He has all along worked with boys and has given his best in time, work and money towards the cause of scouting not only in Province but also in India. He has represented the Province in the All-India Conferences, meeting held so far both in B. S. A. and the H. S. A. and is now a member of the National Executive of the Hindustan Scout Association and Assistant Provincial Scout Commissioner.

He has thus a record of long social service of varied type for the youth of the province and as such deserves the attention of the voters of the Senate.

U. P. SATYAGRAHI'S DEATH IN HOSPITAL

More Arrests And Convictions Reported In Provinces

BAREILLY, April 24.

MR. BALDEO PRASAD, PRESIDENT CONGRESS MANDAL, RAMPURA DISTRICT, PILIBHIT, WHO WAS UNDERGOING IMPRISONMENT IN THE DISTRICT JAIL, BAREILLY, IN CONNECTION WITH SATYAGRAHA DIED YESTERDAY MORNING. HE WAS TAKEN TO HOSPITAL TWO DAYS AGO IN A SERIOUS CONDITION.

PLIGHT OF ANOTHER SATYAGRAHI M.L.A.

LAHORE, April 24

It has been ascertained as a result of X-ray test, it is understood, that Mr. Munilal Kalia, M. L. A., who is undergoing imprisonment for offering 'Satyagraha' is not suffering from lung trouble but blood comes out from the throat and wind-pipe.—United Press.

In Gujarat:

(From Our Correspondent).

DOHAD, April 21.

Sjt. Purshottamdas Maganlal was sentenced to a fine of Rs. 200 or in default four months' S.I. for offering Satyagraha at Jhalod (Panchmahals.)

In Maharashtra:

Mr. Padhye Acquitted

(From Our Correspondent).

RATNAGIRI, April 23.

Decision was announced in the case of Mr. A. K. Padhye, a prominent pleader and President, Taluka Congress Committee of Rajapur, by Mr. A. S. A. Nawab, First Class Magistrate, Ratnagiri, on the 21st instant. Mr. Padhye was charged with having committed a prejudicial act by delivering an anti-war speech at Bhambed, a village in Rajapur Taluka, on the 30th January. Mr. Padhye denied having made any anti-war speech. He was to offer Satyagraha shortly after the date 30th January, and it was not consistent with his discipline as a Satyagrahi to deliver an anti-war speech without giving notice of it to the Magistrate. Mr. Padhye also denied that any notes were taken by the police constable present at the meeting. It was alleged by the prosecution that the Sub-Inspector of Police was personally present at the meeting which the defence denied.

After evidence for the prosecution and defence was recorded and arguments were heard, Mr. Nawab gave his decision acquitting Mr. Padhye honourably. The Magistrate severely criticised the conduct of the Police Sub-Inspector and has disbelieved the evidence for the prosecution.

Mr. Padhye's defence was conducted by Messrs. A. D. Rege, V. G. Shetye and M. D. Joshi, Pleaders, and Mr. V. G. Parab appeared for the Crown.

Dist. Congress Secretary To Offer Satyagraha

Mr. Sharatchandra B. Redij, Secretary of the Ratnagiri District Congress Committee, and the first 'Dictator' after the Dissolution of Dist. Congress Committee at Ratnagiri, has given notice to the District Magistrate of his intention to offer Satyagraha at Rajapur on 25th April in the evening at 6 p.m.

In The U. P.:

MUZAFFARPUR: Mr. Deep Narayan Singh, M.L.A., President of the Muzaffarpur District Congress Committee, has been sentenced to nine months' rigorous imprisonment for offering Satyagraha.

Mr. Birchandra Patel, Chairman of the Local Board at Hajipur, and Mr. Saryu Thakur, who also offered Satyagraha, have been sentenced to six months' and two months' rigorous imprisonment respectively. The latter was also fined Rs. 60.

In The Punjab

LAHORE: Intimation has been received here from Sialkot that Chaudhri Krishan Gopal Dutt, Deputy Leader of the Congress Party, in the Punjab Assembly and a member of the Working Committee of the P. P. C. C. was arrested this morning at Sialkot under the Defence of India Rules in connection with a speech he delivered at Lahore on April 13.

It may be recalled that Chaudhri Krishan Gopal was released from jail on April 13 on the expiry of his term of imprisonment which had been reduced by the Lahore High Court on an application under 'amicus curiae' filed by the Lahore High Court Bar Association.

The following convictions are reported in connection with Congress Satyagraha in the Punjab:—

KARNAL: Kaka Ram and Om Parkash, sentenced to one year rigorous imprisonment each; Jaglal, six months' and Rs. 25 fine; Madho Ram, five months' and Rs. 25 fine.

ROHTAK: Sahib Ram, Chandu Ram and six other Congressmen, one year each; Parlad Singh, fifteen months' and Rs. 300 fine.

Toba Tek Singh, Kedar Nath, Mukhtar Mahmud and Dwarka Nath, six months' each.

AMBALA: Basawa Singh, President of the District Congress Committee, Ambala, sentenced to nine months' and fined Rs. 250; Pandit Shambu Nath and Vidya Prakash, four months' each; Joti Prasad, three months' and fine of Rs. 25; Pran Nath, one day and Rs. 25 fine.

OKARA: Ganga Ram, one year; Abdul Majid, Om Parkash, Shamdas and Lalchand, nine months' each.

SIALKOT: Ram Das and Kahan Chand, six months' each.

LAHORE: Amar Singh of Kanekacha, arrested.

Thirtyone political prisoners have been transferred from Rohtak to Ferozepur and Rawalpindi jails.

In Madras:

MADRAS: Fourteen Congressmen were convicted to-day by the Chief Presidency Magistrate under the Defence of India Rules for shouting anti-war slogans in different parts of the city and were each sentenced to one months' rigorous imprisonment. They were placed in 'C' class.

Following further Satyagraha convictions are reported from the Districts:—

Mr. Chinniah Pillai, member of the Tanjore District Board, was sentenced to four months' R. I. and a fine of Rs. 500. He was placed in "A" class.

Mr. Govindaswami Pillai, President of the Mayavaram Taluq Congress Committee, was sentenced to four months' R. I. and a fine of Rs. 500. He was placed in "A" class.

Mr. Bramha Reddy, Member of the Nellore District Board, was sentenced to three months' R. I. and a fine of Rs. 500.

Mr. Kunhi Chathu Kurup, Calicut, was sentenced to one year R. I.

Mr. Kotikilapudi Anjaneyulu, West Godavari District Congress Secretary, was sentenced to six months' R. I. and a fine of Rs. 50. —A. P.

In Bihar:

Abdul Gani And Gouri Shankar Jailed

CALCUTTA, April 25.

Mr. Abdul Gani, a Congress worker, has been sentenced to six months' imprisonment and to pay a fine of Rs. 300 by the Sub-Divisional Magistrate at Jamshedpur (Bihar) for delivering an anti-war speech.

Pndit Gouri Shankar Ojha, President of the Palamau District Congress Committee, has been sentenced to six months' R. I. and Mr. Hazarilal to two months' R. I. and to pay a fine of Rs. 50 by the Sub-Divisional Magistrate of Daltonganj (Bihar) for offering Satyagraha.—A. P.

FORWARD BLOC MEMBER ARRESTED

PESHAWAR, April 24.

Autar Singh, a member of the Forward Bloc, was arrested today at Nowshera under the Press Emergency Powers Act. It is alleged that Communist literature was recovered from his possession.

Melaram, a detenu from the Frontier Province, has been released from Deoli Camp. He arrived in Peshawar to-day.—A. P.

ANOTHER RAID ON BOSE'S HOUSE

Brother And Two Nephews Let Off On Bail

CALCUTTA, April 25.

Mr. Satishchandra Bose, eldest brother of Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose, Mr. Ranjitkumar Bose and Mr. Dhirendra Kumar Bose, nephews of Mr. Bose, were taken to the office of the Calcutta C. I. D., who raided the Elgin Road residence of Mr. Bose this morning in connection with the alleged altercation with and assault on a C. I. D. watcher on April 19.

They were let off on bail.—United Press.

Control Price Of Newsprint

Appeal To Madras Govt. To Check Profiteering

MADRAS, April 25.

A resolution drawing the attention of the Government to the abnormal rise in the price of newsprint and requesting them immediately to control the price of newsprint and other printing materials was adopted at a meeting of the editors of Telugu Weeklies and other periodicals in Madras.

The meeting also urged the Government to effectively check profiteering.

The Government was also requested to take such steps as might be necessary to increase the production of paper in India.

The meeting also resolved to send a deputation to the Chief Secretary to Government in this connection.—A. P.

CHIANG'S GIFT TO MAHABODHI SOCIETY

CALCUTTA, April 25.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek and Dr. Chen Li-Fu, Minister of Education, China, have presented the Mahabodhi Society with a set of Chinese 'Tripitaka', Buddhist scriptures, published in Shanghai. They have forwarded 414 volumes of the treatise in 40 bundles, packed in camphor boards, through Prof. Tan Yun-Shen, Director of the Cheena Bhavana at Viswabharati.

The donors have made the gift as a token of their love and regard for the Mahabodhi Society and the Buddhist religion on the occasion of the Golden Jubilee of the Society which comes off in December this year.

Another edition of the Chinese 'Tripitaka' was presented to the Mulagandhakuthi Vihara at Sarnath some years ago through Prof. Tan Yun-Shen.—A. P.

Economy Drive In Annamalai University

CHIDAMBARAM, April 24.

As a measure of economy, the Special Committee appointed by the Syndicate has recommended the abolition of the Honours courses in Sanskrit, Philosophy and Botany in the Annamalai University.

The Committee remark that the Honours course in Sanskrit "has not been very popular" and that there is already provision for intensive courses on the oriental languages side.

The proposals are to come into effect from June next with due provision for students who have already been admitted to the courses to continue their studies. —A. P.

Security Demand Order Withdrawn

KARACHI, April 25.

The Government of Sind have now withdrawn the order demanding a security of Rs. 3,000 from the 'Islah', which had led to the closing down of that paper.

The paper will resume publication shortly.—United Press.

KISAN ORGANISATIONS DECLARED UNLAWFUL

MADRAS, April 25.

By a notification in a Gazette Extraordinary issued to-day, the Government of Madras have declared the Karshak Sangh operating in a number of centres in South Canara District to be an Unlawful Association.

The Malabar Karshak Sangham, the Malabar Peasants' Association and the Peasants' Union and affiliated bodies have also been similarly declared unlawful.

These Associations re considered, according to the official notification, to be interfering or have for their object interference with the Administration of the Law and with maintenance of law and order and constitute a danger to the public peace.—A.P.

MORE ROADS ON FRONTIER

New Constructions: Three Bridges Rebuilt

To link up Dera Ismail Khan with Quetta, an important road is being constructed between Moghalkot and Fort Sandeman. Several roads have been improved in the North-West Frontier Border recently, some to meet the increased lorry traffic, and a permanent bridge is being built at Arawaili in the Kurram on the road to Lakka Tiga.

In south Waziristan, a new road has been constructed linking Wana with Tiarza by the Inzar Narai pass. Most of the existing roads pass through thickly inhabited territory and are used more by the tribesmen than by anyone else. Thus any damage to them causes dislocation of their traffic, and after the Shabi Khel disturbances the tribes waited impatiently for the roads to be repaired. On the other hand they will not agree to new roads being constructed unless khassadars are recruited for their protection. This is not so much from a desire for the safety of the road as from the hope that increased money will become available.

On the Peshawar border, the Mohammand road through Gandab has been improved to meet the increased lorry traffic and is in good condition. In Kohat, improvements have been made to the road through the Suleiman Khel area, twelve miles north of Hangu. A track six feet wide now goes as far as the Jabbar Gakhai pass. The tracks between Drazinda and Baghasar and Drazinda and Shaplai are now fit for light motor traffic.

In Chitral, the road to India crosses the Lowarai Pass of 10,000 feet and this is closed by snow for four or five months each winter. The passes into Afghanistan and Gilgit are considerably higher and are closed for longer periods. The Ziarat and Koghozi bridges, which had been washed away, were reconstructed, and the bridge over the Zhaghor stream rebuilt.

Jasana Peasants' Tale Of Woe

(From A Correspondent).

HISSAR, (By Mail).

The peasants of Jasana have been in the grip of very severe famine since 1936-37, and the subsequent two years were dire famine times. The Maharaja remitted the land revenue for these two years.

In the years 1939-40 there was a partial sowing and meagre harvest but the poor peasants paid the cesses and the rents for this year.

But now in spite of Maharaja's proclamations respecting remission of rents for the years 1937-38, 1938-39, the manager is reported to be forcibly realising the rents with interest at the rate of 24 per cent. The famishing peasants unable to pay, sought the intervention of the authority, but the result was that the manager brought armed police with one sub-inspector at dead of night, called out the sleeping peasants and threatened that unless they paid consequences would be severe. The signatories to the petitions were specially signalled out and a few persons arrested. They were terrorised to the extent that they had to desert the village leaving the harvest ungathered and unattended.

About 70 families with all their cattle stock since 13th April, 41, have been lying in open in the fields of the village Bhurtwala in Hissar District, with nothing to eat; even the very water is scarce.

Under such helpless condition, the peasants have approached their only protector, the Maharaja praying for protection with great hopes.

RIOT NEWS BLACK-OUT!

Ahmedabad Editors Challenge Magistrate's Order

AHMEDABAD, April 25.

Messrs. Nandlal Bodiwala, Indravadan Thakore and Kakalbhai Kothari, editors of "Sandesh", "Gujarat Samachar" and "Prabhat", three language dailies respectively have filed revision applications in the Sessions Court to-day challenging the legality of the order passed by the District Magistrate against them under Section 144 Criminal Procedure Code prohibiting them from publishing any news about the riots in Ahmedabad except the official news.—A. P.

"FRAME NATIONAL CONSTITUTION IN INDIA"

MADRAS, April 24.

In a telegram to Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru, Dr. G. S. Arundale says: "In view of the British Government's rejection of your conference proposals, strongly urge utilization of the Conference as a nucleus for the framing of a National Constitution in India irrespective of the amount of agreement likely.

It is essential that such a constitution should be ready as soon as war is over.

In the meantime, it should be framed for as wide acceptance as possible. Under the existing circumstances this is most constructive work for India possible."—A. P.

City & Guild Examinations

Owing to unavoidable circumstances, the City and Guilds of London Institute Technological Examinations to be held at the Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute, Matunga, Bombay, are postponed until further notice.

Exemption For C. P. Scheduled Classes

NAGPUR, April 25.

The Provincial Government have decided, says a Press Note that candidates belonging to the scheduled castes or backward community will be exempted for a period of five years with effect from April 1, 1941 from the payment of fees prescribed for application to posts in the Provincial, Ministerial or Subordinate service of the Government for registration of applications and also scholarships in the Government institutions.—United Press.

KARACHI, April 25.—The first batch of students sent to Karachi for training under the Government of India's scheme to train 300 airmen for Indian Air Force has completed their training. Another batch has now arrived to receive training.—United Press.

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By BUD FISHER

G. I. P. RLY.

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Mysore Government's Hostility To Congress

Session Protests Against Attitude: Success In Recent Election

The following resolutions were passed at the Fourth Session of the Mysore Congress at Vinoba Nagar on the 7th, 8th and 9th April, 1941:—

At the outset the Session of the Mysore Congress placed on record its profound sense of sorrow at the sad and untimely demise of His Highness Sir Sri Krishnaraja Wodeyar Bahadur, the late Maharaja of Mysore, the sad and untimely deaths of Sri Prahlada Setty, Sri Marur Veerabhadrappa of Sagar, Sri Mari Gowda of Maddur and Sri Anniah, a prominent Congressman, of Madhugiri.

SUPPORT IN ELECTIONS

The Session of the Mysore Congress offered its loyal and heartfelt felicitations to His Highness Sri Java Chamaraja Wodevar Bahadur on his accession to the throne of Mysore and conveyed to the people of the State its grateful thanks for the continued confidence reposed by them in the Congress as evidenced by the overwhelming and uniform support given to the Congress candidates at the various Elections during the year.

The resolution further stated:—

It is gratifying to note that at the Elections to the District Boards of the State 119 out of the 133 candidates put up by the Congress were returned successful including 39 who were returned unopposed. These elections demonstrated beyond doubt that the people in the rural parts were solidly behind the Congress.

The unique and the unparalleled success of the Congress in the Municipal Elections in the Cities of Bangalore and Mysore and generally in the Elections to the various Municipalities of the State has placed the Congress under a special debt of gratitude to all those who have so devotedly labcured for the success.

At the General Elections held on the 8th, 9th and 10th of February, 1941 the Congress has secured 101 seats in the Assembly and 16 seats in the Legislative Council. This Session is quite aware of the enormous handicaps placed against the Mysore Congress and its candidates in these Elections and generally of the atmosphere of hostility on the part of Government in which Congress contested these Elections.

This Session of the Mysore Congress, therefore, notes that the unqualified support of the country to the Congress in spite of official interference in these Elections in several places, inspite of terror created by acts of victimisation and harassment of Patels, Shanbogues, Panchayat Chairmen, School Masters, Contractors, Bus Licensees and others for alleged support to and voting for the Congress candidates during these elections, demonstrates the courage and determination on the part of the people to stand by the Congress in its demand for the establishment of Full Responsible Government in the State under the aegis of His Highness the Maharaja.

GOVERNMENT'S POLICY

This Session of the Mysore Congress places on record its regret that the policy of the Government towards the Congress remains as hostile as ever as evidenced by the action of the authorities in preventing many Congressmen on the flimsiest pretexts from contesting the recent elections to the Legislatures and in interfering in the elections openly and actively to the detriment of the Congress rendering the elections neither fair nor free.

This Session reiterates its vital objections to the reforms and declares that if the Congress is represented on the legislatures it is for the sake of getting what advantage is possible for the people and consolidating the Congress position regarding the goal of Responsible Government under the aegis of His Highness the Maharaja.

The Mysore Congress, however, desires to emphasize that in the attempt to establish Responsible Government on the basis of non violence what is most necessary is to build up power from the bottom. This is clearly impossible without a living contact with the people and their all round education on matters moral, social, economic and political which again cannot be achieved without the intense working of the constructive programme on the widest scale possible. The Mysore Congress therefore calls upon all the workers to concentrate on the constructive programme of work and suggests that a special Committee be appointed for the purpose.

WORKERS' CAUSE

This Session of the Mysore Congress has noticed that the labourers in the Kolar Gold Fields, Binny and other Mills, the Railway Workshop and other institutions have attempted get their grievances redressed and their rights to form Labour Union recognised. It is also aware that all such attempts have been looked upon with disfavour by the authorities and that the Government has by a series of Orders and imprisonment, by externing some of these labourers as 'aliens' from out of the State rendered such redress impossible. This Session recalls the resolutions passed by the Mysore Congress from time to time in the interests of labour, and resolves to utilize all available opportunities to secure the passage of labour legislation.

BOMBAY SECRETARIAT OFFICIAL JAILED

POONA, April 25.

Mr. Ganpath Kesav Kadam, Superintendent of the War Branch of the Political and Services Department in the Bombay Secretariat, who was charged with offences under the Official Secrets Act and the Defence of India Rules, was convicted and sentenced to-day by the First Class Magistrate, Poona, to nine months' rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 1,000 (in default three months' further rigorous imprisonment).

Kadam was ordered to be released on bail on a surety of Rs. 1,000 and a personal recognition in like amount, by the District Court.—A. P.

Satisfactory Administration Of Bombay Local Boards

Total Number Of Primary Schools Rose By 269 In Northern Division

The Director of Information, Bombay, writes:—

The report on the administration of Local Boards in Bombay Province in 1939-40 reveals increased activity in the sphere of primary education in the Northern Division. The total number of primary schools rose by 269; incomplete school buildings were completed and the construction of new ones undertaken.

An encouraging feature was that Boards, especially those in Broach and Thana, evincing interest in physical training. The Broach Board spent over Rs. 2,400 on the purchase of physical culture equipment.

LIBRARIES AND READING ROOMS

Some Boards interested themselves in providing libraries and reading rooms. The Ahmedabad Board started 100 reading rooms in villages, which contributed Rs. 10 each as their quota, the Broach Board started 79 and Surat has 390 Sir Purushottamdas Thakurdas libraries.

The Anmedabad Board continued its special anti-malaria campaign by distributing cheap Ayurvedic pills. All Boards took advantage of the rural medical relief scheme of the Government.

The administration of the Boards, on the whole, was satisfactory. The audit notes, however, revealed the usual irregularities, such as irregular payments of travelling allowance, absence of and deviations from the sanctioned programme of works, slackness of supervision over the execution of works, and the payment of money without obtaining receipts from payees.

In the Central Division, there was a net increase of 74 primary schools.

There was an improvement in the administration of the East Khandesh Board. In Nasik, however, the administration deteriorated owing, chiefly, to the factiousness of the parties composing the Board. In Sholapur too, the spirit of faction has had an adverse effect on the activities of the Board. The administration of other Boards was commendable.

In the Southern Division, the year was one of unspectacular progress. The number of primary schools increased by 156. Epidemics and epizootics were successfully combatted wherever they broke out and anti-epidemic measures adopted by the Boards went a long way in preventing outbreaks.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

The aggregate income of all the Boards, including the opening balance, was Rs. 177.04 lakhs and the total expenditure Rs. 178.07 lakhs. The expenditure in the Northern Division on education was Rs. 31.32 lakhs, on medical treatment Rs. 3.03 lakhs and on civil works, Rs. 12.26 lakhs. The corresponding figures for the Central Division were Rs. 53.40 lakhs, Rs. 4.0 lakhs and Rs. 16.42 lakhs and for the Southern Division Rs. 34.97 lakhs, Rs. 2.71 lakhs and Rs. 8.78 lakhs.

RAMNIVAS RUIA ON COTTON

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The present [illegible] market is, therefore, not justified, because all the factors that matter are bullish, and yet the Bear clique is able to carry on with its work."

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It is apparent to anyone who has watched the effect of the war on commerce and industry that among these bullish factors is the improved condition of the cotton mills. They have been working extremely well and have a margin in business. They can, I suppose, afford to buy at the present or even higher level of prices and yet make their margin of profit. The demand for finished products, in the shape of cloth and yarn, by Government and by outside countries has enormously increased the output of these mills. The result is that their consumption has shot up from 28 lacs of bales last year to 42 lacs, which is about fifty per cent more. It stands to reason that when such are the real facts the tone of the market should be healthier and bullish and it seems only fair that the cotton grower should also benefit from the improved conditions. Instead, the market is allowed to be in the hands of Bears and all decent, healthy buying by genuine buyers is automatically restricted.

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"The price of cotton in India," Ramnivas told me, "was lower by Rs. 80|90 than in America and the result was that a great deal of the profit made on such transactions as are in the nature of export, goes and remains outside the country. In the end, it is the grower that suffers and the poverty of the agriculturist remains as ugly a fact as ever. This state of affairs should not be allowed to go on. It is not fair that jobbers should control so vital a market as that of cotton. Some control by Government is essential, but it hardly appears as if anything of this nature is forthcoming. In the meanwhile those like me who can buy and afford to buy, do so, but other buyers are scared to do so. I could just as soon turn a Bear, but my argument would still hold good. The price of cotton to-day is unreasonably low. I regard anything below Rs. 225 as unreasonably low. There is nothing to justify that low level and it is a shame that nothing is done about it in those quarters where something can be done. The example of Bengal in the case of jute control is worth emulating, that is, if you have at heart the interest of the grower and the agriculturist and if you want a healthier tone in your markets."

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Ramnivas Ruia's point of view is very important. It is the point of view of the average man who is a nationalist at heart and who is cautious, careful, and genuine businessman and who, while thinking of his own business also takes the long view of the future of the grower, on whom the economic welfare of this country belongs. It would not do the Government any harm to pay some attention to this point of view and in the interest of the people, Government would do well to call a Conference of men, who know the cotton business well and hear these points of view. Those like Sir Purshotamdas Thakurdas, R. D. Birla, Seth Haridas Madhavdas Amarsey and Chunilal Bhaichand and others might have something to say which would be of value to Government.

THE BATTLE OF BRITAIN

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ther they were intercepted by fighters of the R.A.F. Twenty-one squadrons were sent into the air and 21 squadrons made contact with the enemy. This time the numbers on each side were fairly equal and the fighting superiority of the British force was immediately established. Our fighters tore into the enemy's formations, ripping through them like a knife through calico. That was how it sounded from the ground. So determined was the British defence, so effective these tactics, that the German formations were again instantly broken up. This was an opportunity for each pilot to single out an adversary and in a few moments the sky was again a battlefield. In all that space from the Thames Estuary to Dover, from London to the coast dogfights were soon in furious progress. Squadrons were swiftly scattered so that two which took off together from their base might 15 minutes later be fighting 50 miles apart.

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There was nothing haphazard about this interception of the enemy. It was only possible on such a scale and in so effective a manner because every detail had been planned and tested in the fighting of the previous months. So, as reports came through of the German approach, we were able to despatch from the correct tactical points enough squadrons to achieve complete interception and the best results without dissipating our forces. The general principle applied in coping with earlier assaults having proved so successful, it was put into effect in this second great attack. Certain squadrons were detailed to deal with an enemy screen of high flying fighters half way between London and the coast. This enabled others to attack bomber formations and their close escort before they reached the line of fighter aerodromes east and south of London. Those of the enemy who succeeded in penetrating these defences—some 70 or so—were tackled by squadrons of Hurricanes, mostly from Nos. 10 and 12 Groups, who came into action over the capital itself. They also pursued stragglers. As in the morning's fighting some 200 individual combats took place and, although no two were quite alike, the general pattern was the same.

"I engaged the enemy in formation, causing them to scatter in all directions," ran the report of one pilot. "We sighted a strong formation of enemy aircraft," wrote another, "and carried out a head-on attack. The enemy scattered, jettisoned their bombs and turned for home. We encountered heavy cannon fire ....." The reports are laconic: "Whole of nose, including pilot's cockpit, was shot away....." "I saw tracer flying past my left wing and saw a M-109 attack me ....." "I saw his perspex burst and the enemy aircraft spun down....." "I did not consider it worth while to waste any more ammunition upon it....." "I then looked for more trouble and saw a H-111. I attacked and closed to about ten feet....." "I gave him everything I had....." "The aircraft became uncontrollable. I baled out coming down with my left arm paralysed (afterwards learned dislocated)....."

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As in the morning, a single British aircraft (in this case a Hurricane piloted by a group captain) encountered a large formation of German aircraft, both fighters and bombers, and went into the attack alone.

"There were," he said on his return, "no other British fighters in sight, so I made a head-on attack on the first section of the bombers opening at 600 yards and closing to 200 yards." After describing how all alone he broke up the formation the group captain adds: "I made further attacks on the retreating bombers, each attack from a climbing beam .....One Dornier left the formation and lost height. With no ammunition left, I could not finish it off. I last saw the bomber at 3,000 feet dropping slowly ....."

So it appears that each pilot had his own swift decisions to make, his own problems to meet. He was not found wanting. While the fight lasted the Germans were destroyed at the rate of two aircraft per minute. That afternoon's attack cost them 97 destroyed. In the entire day we lost 25 aircraft, but 14 pilots were saved.

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Current And Coming Indian Films

Nurjahan and Prabha in 'Ummeed' at Opera House; Renuka Devi in 'Naya Sansar' at Roxy and Baburao Pendharkar in 'Amrit'; coming to West End on May 3.

Best Scene In 'Naya Sansar'

Room For Difference, Because All Are Good

BY T. V. P.

What do you consider to be the best scene in 'Naya Sansar'?

Replies to this question are various for the simple reason that men have different tastes and there is hardly any scene in the picture that one, whatever his taste may be, is likely to dislike positively.

Personally, by the best scene, I understand, the most moving scene. I have seen the picture three times by now and every time one particular scene greatly moved me. On the first occasion tears came to my eyes and there was a lump in my throat. That scene is the one in which Puran is brought to hospital, Asha is seen tending his brow and Premchand, editor of 'Sansar' every inch a gentleman, is overhearing their conversation.

Mark the various minute changes that the countenance of Premchand, played by Mubarak undergo. Note the feeble and slight movements of his limbs and take account finally how he decides at the proper moment to approach the loving couple and put himself right with them. The beauty of this scene can never be sufficiently described and had better be experienced at the Roxy.

There are so many other good scenes there also. Some will like Puran best when at the treadle with a cigarette butt between his lips, or Asha mixing tea for them and stealing his manuscript of the 'Naya Sansar' song or some other very good scenes. Perhaps the least attractive of them are those in which the conferences of Dhaniram and his gang take place. I am, of course, leaving out of account the dances and the songs. They must be dealt with separately.

"GHARJAWAI" IN 8TH WEEK

Asha Pictures To Produce 'Raja-Rani'

Judging from the collections, during last six weeks in both Bombay and Poona, Gharjawai' is a great success from box-office point of view. In fact, the box-office returns from all stations where the picture has been released testify to the popularity that 'Gharjawai' has attained all over Maharashtra. One notable reaction of the enthusiastic picturegoers, the critics and those in the trade to Asha Pictures' maiden presentation is that all of them, interested as they are in the development of the indigenous film industry regard 'Gharjawai' as a first significant success for Chitramandir; they also hold the opinion that 'Gharjawai' promises a bright future Asha Pictures.

In view of the success of 'Gharjawai' it is but natural that Mr. Mote, its producer encouraged by it should be busy with his second production which is entitled 'Raja Rani' written by Atre, Kumarsen Samarth is in charge of the direction and the principal roles are assigned to Avinash and Shobhana Samarth, who made such a perfect romantic team in 'Gharjawai'.

'Amrit' Ready For Release

Coming To West End Next Saturday

The most ambitious production of the Navayug Chitrapat Limited, 'Amrit' is now ready for release. Director Winayak and party who were on out-doors have returned and Director Winayak is giving final touches to the editing. The picture will be flashed on the screen of the West End on May 3. Its story and screen-play is written by Mr. V. S. Khandekar, who hopes that 'Amrit' will be more gripping, more sensational and more penetrating than 'Chhaya'—his 'Gohar Medal' Winner. Baburao Pendharkar, Salvi, Meenakshi, Winayak, Lalita Pawar, Damuanna Malvankar, Jog and Withal besides others are in the cast.

'Amrit' is naturally most eagerly awaited by millions of moviegoers. It has a story that deals with the stark reality of the poverty of the masses. Nature is generous, bountiful; but man and his mad greed have rendered millions homeless, breadless, and wealth is thus concentrated in the hands of a few at the cost of the lives of the numberless. Until and unless this social and economic inequality is uprooted and a new order established, the world will not be completely happy. This change could not be brought by drastic means, but by the realisation and practice of sympathy for fellowmen. 'Amrit' imparts this message of humanitarianism; so very badly wanted in the insane world of to-day.

Punarmilan In 19th Week

Bombay Talkies fine film-play 'Punarmilan' is now in the 19th week. It is to-stay for one week more to make room for 'Narad-Naradi' of Saraswati. 'Punarmilan' in which Snehaprabha has made a name for herself as an actress and a songstress should not be missed by those who have not yet seen it.

Pardesi In 10 Week

'Pardesi' enters 10th week from to-day at the Lamington Talkies where it has become very popular. News from the North also tells that 'Pardesi' is running to packed audiences and that its songs have become as much as craze as they are in Bombay. Motilal, Khurshid, Sheneprabha, Keshri, Billimoria and others play important roles. Mr. Chaturbhuj Doshi is the Director of this latest hit.

Comic Episode From Puranas

'Narad-Naradi' Coming To Majestic

Each being, in his own nature, is blest. But dissatisfaction and envy are vices that envelop humanity and extend even to celestial beings.

Narad, the eternal youth and bachelor-saint of the celestial world, is the envy of the gods themselves. Yet it occurred to him once that he was lonely and miserable and how sweet would life be with a wife and several children. God granted Narad's wish. But soon, Narad was found beseeching God in piteous tones to rescue him from that "sweet" (really sweating) existence of the mortal world.

Between his first boon and the second one, Narad went through a series of experiences of worldly life, Its narration evokes laughter but its experience induced tears from Narad.

The entire episode is picturised by Dada Torney of Saraswati Cinetone under the title "Narad-Naradi". The picture is being distributed by Famous Pictures, and will have its premiere at the Majestic Cinema on Saturday next.

Judging by its story material, "Narad-Naradi" should be a topping comedy. Mr. S. A. Shukla has written the dialogues and songs. It is a modest but talented cast that director Torney has got together. The popular comedian Dinker "Kamanna" leads in the role of Narada; and with him are Kusum Deshpande, Kamala Barodkar, Vedapathak, Danve, and Sushila.

JAGIRDAR'S GREAT PERFORMANCE

Delhi Acclaims "Padosi"

Just as "Padosi" is an outstanding picture, Jagirdar's work as Mirza in it is by itself an outstanding performance. This has long been acknowledged in Bombay, where the picture is now in its fourteenth week at the Central; and fresh acknowledgment now comes from Delhi. The release of "Padosi" in Delhi was an event in the national capital. So eagerly was the city awaiting the picture, that all roads led to the theatre where it came. It is now two weeks since, yet, that enthusiasm, according to reports, is unabated.

Of the performances in "Padosi", Delhi appears (and rightly) to have cheered that of Jagirdar the most. Without doubt, the performance of Jagirdar is one of those rare cases in which a great actor gets into a fine role under inspiring direction. There is strength as well as delicacy in the character of Mirza. It passes through a wide range of passions, of various degrees of intensity. Mirza, as played by Jagirdar, is a man of mature wit and profound charity, yet with the fire of a native pride that flares up when he is too roughly shaken.

People will long remember Mirza for the qualities that the scenarist has given him; also for the life that Jagirdar, under Shantaram's masterly direction, has infused into the role.

'Khazanchi' In Fourth Week

Crowded Shows At Krishna

The passing of the weeks adds to the popularity of "Khazanchi", the Rancholi Art picture now in the fourth week at the Krishna Cinema.

"Khazanchi" arrived in Bombay without the backing of a known trade mark. People had hardly heard of producer Pancholi, and knew nothing at all about the stars—except, of course, about Ramola. It was reasonably questioned, besides whether Lahore could produce a picture to satisfy this city's critical requirements.

The first approach of Bombay to "Khazanchi" was thus one of good-humoured tolerance. It has since changed to admiration, even respect. For, "Khazanchi" is not only a pleasing picture, but it has also marks of venturesome originality.

The story of "Khazanchi" contains romance, humour, pathos and drama; and these elements are spun together with a dexterity worthy of a practised hand. The popular star Ramola gives an excellent performance, but the newcomers (to Bombay, at any rate) Narang and Manorama are no less exquisite. The direction and the production qualities betray no trace of amateurishness. To crown all, the song tunes are so definitely original as to be the envy of the older studios.

"Ummeed" In Fourth Week

Ranjits latest fast comedy 'Ummeed' has now entered the fourth week at Royal Opera House. Nurjahan, Prabha and Iswarlal are in leading roles. Prabha shines out as a servant girl for her beautiful acting. The picture is directed by Mr. Manibhai Vyas.

Kanan's Great Role In 'Lagan'

Great Success Of New Theatres' New Film

BY T. V. P.

With an appealing story material and with a cast consisting of Saigal, Kanan Bala and Nawab, New Theatres' new creation "Lagan" directed and photographed by Mr. Nitin Bose, is drawing crowded houses at the Minerva Talkies, Bombay, in spite of the riot scare.

"Lagan," reveals the depth of the psychological reactions in the hearts of a poet who went crazy for the love of a lady which did not belong to him. A poetic genius whose compositions of song and music brought fame and happiness to the girl, is caught in the whirlwind of fusious passion; because his infatuation for the beautiful girl whom he had created became uncontrollable for him.

She is married to a rich newspaper-magnet and is happy with him But she is a bit disturbed, because the poet had gone into obscurity due to the indifference with which the world at large had treated him. While she was awarded medals the poet was not at all remembered by anybody.

This reacted on the hyper-sensitive mind of the poet. She knew this and requested her husband to do the needful in the matter.

At last the name of the poet was flashed across many a newspaper front-page and he became famous throughout the country. He returned to her. But now he was hungry for her love. He had obviously misunderstood his dainty disciple.

Kananbala has played the role of a faithful and dutiful wife in an impressive manner. She is perhaps at her best in this of all her characterisations. Saigal lives up to his reputation as a talented actor of 'Devadas' and "Chandidas" fame. Nawab steals many a scene from both Kanan and Saigal. Director Nitin Bose has taken the best work from them.

The music of 'Lagan' is magnificent. Saigal and Kanan sang fine melodious songs, which are full of significance and come on appropriate occasions.

"Manthan" Premiere Next Saturday

Hope, the elixir of life, and the one creation of our mental faculty that prepares us for any bitter fight is the theme of Wadia Movietone's 'Manthan' or 'Justice of Vikram' scheduled to be released at the Imperial Cinema on Saturday next.

An atmosphere reminiscent of all the grandeur of Ujjain of Vikram's time, created with special effect by the resourcefulness of a studio which gave us the first international film, is a feature of 'Manthan' that pulls the audience closer to the time and place of the story narrated on the screen, so that their hearts beat in harmony with the hearts of the characters.

'Manthan is produced by J. B. H. Wadia and is directed by Ranji Arya.

Narad-Naradi For Majestic

"Narad Narad!", Saraswati Cinetone's new humorous film is booked for Majestic from next Saturday. It is based on the famous story of Sage Narad in Mahabharat.

Radha Rani and Sardar Mansur in 'Manthan' the new Wadia film coming shortly; Nemo and Saigal in 'Lagan' at Minerva.

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Under The Sacred Mango Tree

MUNSHI'S TIME-TABLE OF SATYAGRAHIS INSIDE YERAVDA

Mr. K. M. Munshi writes in the "Social Welfare":—

As you enter the Yeravda Central Prison at Poona, the first yard to the left is known to political prisoners as the Yeravda Mandir. In the Mandir stands a dwarfish mango tree with knotted, low branches spreading out so as to give it a picturesque shape. Within sight of that tree, I lived till the 15th of March last.

Under its shade, once, lived Mahatma Gandhi, day and night, sitting, spinning, writing, praying. Under it he fasted to secure the unity of the Hindu community. Under it he communed with God. It had therefore, for us, the sanctity of a Bodhi tree. We lived in this sanctuary of the sacred Mango Tree. Sardar and Sjts. Bhulabhai Desai, Kher, Mangaldas Pakvasa, Dr. Gilder, Janab Nurie, Shri Patil and myself. Sardar, with the legitimate pride of a high-priest was reminiscent of the old days when he lived with Gandhiji during the epic fast of 1933. He recalled the incidents connected with every corner of the yard. And as we sat offering our prayers; as Janab Nurie chanted from the Koran, Dr. Gilder from the Gathas and Shri Kher and myself from the Bhagvadgita; as we clapped our hands to the dhun of "Raghupati Raghava Rajaram," we,—I can only speak for myself—I, almost felt that Bapu himself was present. Under the shade of this magic tree, we felt the unity of life and the oneness of God which transcend the differences of faiths and creeds.

We were like lamas, a highly religious community, living in a solitary monastery in the torrid Tibet of Yeravda.

It was a delightful surprise to discover the strong undercurrents of religious-mindedness in the matter-of-fact Sardar, whom India knows only as a pugnacious and indomitable fighter. Neither his uncanny shrewdness nor his expert knowledge of weakness of men had prevented him from acquiring a devout attitude towards Gandhiji. It was a case of voluntary self-surrender. Of him, it could be said that he had obeyed the injunction of Shri Krishna: "Be thou but an instrument" "Nimitta matram bhava savyasachin."

PRAYERS FOR ALL

As an old friend, I know Shri Kher to be a deeply religious man. He has retained his familiarity with Sanskrit religious literature, which he acquired as a Bhau Daji Prizeman of the Bombay University. He lived in the Gita the best part of the day, and sang most of the 'bhajans' from the 'Ashram Bhajanvali' with deep emotion.

Dr. Gilder belied the reputation for godlessness enjoyed by his profession. In spite of year of intimate friendship, I had never suspected that he had such a deep religious vein.

Janab Nurie, I knew, was a devout Muslim, far more deeply learned in the ways of Islam than his Muslim League critics who described him, during the days of the Congress Ministry, as a kaffir. He spent many hours every day in studying Koranic literature and writing a thesis on an important aspect of Prophet Mohammad's life.

Shri Patil is a born 'bhakta.' He has the heritage of Maharashtra saints, Dynaneshwar and Tukaram; and his heart yearns for emotional Bhakti. His favourite studies naturally were the Bhagvata and Tulsidas's Ramayana.

Shri Mangaldas Pakvasa—he is still, 'Honourable the President' though deprived of both function and salary—had his religious moments. He read the Gita and joined the prayers with the simple faith of the unsophisticated.

Even Shri Bhulabhai caught the spirit. In a life of strikingly uniform success he had never felt the need of religious solace or inspiration, which we, less successful men, had felt. But so much religious feeling led him to embark on a sympathetic inquiry; and every day we read Gita and pondered over its application to the problems of daily life.

GANDHIJI'S CAT

I had my problems too; not so much of acquiring religious belief or experience, as of restoring, if possible, the basis of life—now battered by professional and political struggles—to its earlier shape and strength.

Let no one be misled into an impression that we were a community of devotees lashing ourselves into religious frenzy by turning the prayer-wheel every minute. We were intensely human. We talked and laughed and sang and spun. Some of us played cards and smoked and told each other stories, which by no means were tinged with religion. We read newspapers with fanatic zeal and decided the fates of armies and nations. We fed birds and squirrels; and as is the wont of prisoners made furious love to jail cats, which, in this case, had special claim on us, as their pedigree was traced to the famous cat which, in 1933, delivered its kittens in Gandhiji's lap as he sat praying under this very tree.

But Gandhiji challenged the religious instincts in all of us. No one can contact him directly or indirectly without being driven to a quest for life's spiritual foundations. And thus in the sanctuary of the Sacred Mango tree, we reared a beautiful fabric of religious experiences.

A. R. P. EXERCISE IN CITY

Fire Service Van Overturns, Injuring Seven Volunteers

BOMBAY, Monday.

The eighth of the series of A. R. P. exercises conducted by the Government of Bombay, came off in the city at 11 a. m. to-day.

Sir Reginald Maxwell, Home Member, Government of India, who arrived in Bombay this morning, and Lt.-Col. A. J. Reeve, A. R. P. Officer to the Government of India, were among the interested spectators of the Air Raid exercise.

Seven volunteers manning an auxiliary fire service lorry were injured when the lorry turned turtle.

At the stroke of eleven a plane droned overhead and with the Home Member looking on, dropped "bombs", when all the essential services turned up to cope with the situation. The B. E. S. T., the P.W.D., the Ambulance and Fire Brigades, the Auxiliary Fire Service and the Auxiliary Salvation Corps, all took part in repairing the "damage" done by the "bombers" at the Junction of Grant Road and Lamington Road.

A similar demonstration was also staged near a spot north of Elphinstone Circle gardens.

Although the "bombings" and the "rescue" operations passed off without any incident, an auxiliary fire service van while rushing out to turn into Grant Road overturned near the Bombay Central. Seven volunteers were injured. They were removed to the J. J. Hospital.

Newspaper reporters find it hard to do justice to these exercises as they are not permitted to move about freely.

INDIAN TROOPS WANT LIGHT LITERATURE

Send Any Books You Can Spare To Red Cross Depot

SIMLA, April 24.

There is an urgent and increasing demand from the Indian forces overseas for vernacular literature, says a communique issued by the central joint war committee of the Indian Red Cross Society and St. John Ambulance Assocation.

The communique adds "It is literature of a light character which is particularly required.

All such literature as can be spared should be sent to the nearest provincial or state red cross or amenities depot where arrangements will be made to forward them overseas.

It is hoped that there may be a good response to this appeal and that a continual supply of books and periodicals may be made available for sending overseas.—A. P.

Find Of Rare Coins In Hyderabad State

HYDERABAD (Dn.), April 24.

A number of rare coins of historical interest, some bearing the Bodhi tree and Swastika emblems and a few gold coins which have not been as yet assigned to any dynasty were unearthed during the excavations at various places in the State.

The gold coins found at Maski are also of great interest. One of them is a tiny piece bearing an elephant on one side and a lion on the other.—United Press.

MULTAN.—Sir William Roberts M.L.A., has donated Rs. 10,000 towards the cost of a fighter-plane for Multan. The Commissioner of Multan has donated Rs. 1,000.

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ON THE AIR

SATURDAY, APRIL 26.

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

5 p.m. Badrbai. 5-20 Khurshid Kapadia. 5-30 Ramzan Khan. 5-45 Master Madan. 6 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 Special announcements. 6-15 Ghalib ki Ghazlen. 6-30 Badrbai. 6 40 Ramzan Khan. 7 Master Madan. 7-15 Raftar-i Zamana. 7-30 For villagers only. 8-15 In Khaki now. 2. 8-30 Berlin ki Khabren. 8-45 Badrbai. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C News relay. 9-45 Mushaira.

Bombay I & II Programmes

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)
41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)

7-30 to 8-5 a.m As in Delhi 2. 8-5 News in Marathi. 8-15 News in Gujarati. 8-25 to 8-40 As in Delhi 2. 8-40 News in Hindustani. 8-50 News in English. 9 to 9-20 As in Delhi 2. 9-20 A. R. P. Talk.

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)
31.4 metres (9,550 kc/s)

11-30 to 12-57 p.m. As in Delhi 2. 12-57 News in Hindustani. 1 to 1-30 As in Delhi 2. 1-30 News in English. 1-35 to 2 As in Delhi 2.

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)
61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)

From 7-30 Bombay 2 will operate on 89.15 metres (3,365 kc/s)

5 p.m. To-morrow. 5-5 Indian music. 5-25 News in Marathi. 5-30 News in Gujarati. 5-35 Indian music. 6 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 Variety programme. 7 News review in Konkani (S.W.). by H. C. Fernandes. 7-15 Local news and announcements. 7-30 Commercial news. 7-45 Dialogue on Defence Loans, in Hindustani (both waves). 7-55 News in Marathi. 8-10 News in Gujarati. 8-25 Indian music. 8-30 Berlin ki Khabren. 8-45 Violin recital. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C News relay. 10 to 10-45 As in Delhi 2.

Calcutta I—Programme

(Add 24 minutes to all timings for Calcutta time.)

370.4 metres (810 kc/s)

5 p.m. Sukdev Mukerjee. 5-10 Purna Banerjee. 5-20 Sukdev Mukerjee. 5-30 Chhabirani Chatterjee. 5-45 News in Bengali. 5-50 Purna Banerjee. 6 News in English. 6-5 Prithish Mukerjee. 6-20 For the rura and industrial areas. 7 Mustaq Ali Khan. 7-20 Bijan Ghose Dastidar. 7-40 Mustaq Ali Khan. 7-50 Bijan Ghose Dastidar. 8 Chhandita. 8-40 Announcements in Bengali. 8-45 News in Bengali. 9 The Two Piano Knaves. 9-15 Announcements in English. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C News relay. 10 On with the dance.

RAILWAY TIME TABLE
G. I. P. Railway

	Arr. H.M.	Dep. H.M.
Madras Mail	9-00	22-00
Peshawar Express	6-15	22-45
Calcutta Mail via Nagpur	8-55	18-10
Calcutta Mail via Chheoki	9-30	20-15
Madras Express	10-15	14-30
Poona Mail	10-30	17-30
Punjab Mail	12-30	17-40
Nagpur Express	15-00	21-00
Poona Express	19 30	08-05
Allahabad Express	20-25	07-00
Poona Fast Passenger	21-45	12-10

B. B. & C. I. Railway
(Arrivals at and Departures from Bombay Central.)

	Arr. H.M.	Dep. H.M.
Ahmedabad Passenger	5-35	13-05
Delhi Express	6-00	22-15
Gujarat Mail	7-25	22-00
Kathiawar Mail	6 50	21-30
Frontier Mail	8-15	21-15
	(Mon)	(Sat)
The Flying Ranee, Bulsar	*9-15	15-35
The Flying Ranee, Surat	*9-48	15-10
The Flying Ranee, Surat (Except Monday)	10 58	00-00
The Flying Ranee, Surat (Except Saturday)	00-00	18-05
Ahmedabad Passenger	14 15	22-30
Kathiawar Express	19-05	8-45
Baroda Passenger	20-48	9-00

*If Monday is a Bank Holiday, these trains will run on Tuesday.

Fate Of Sindi Merchants At Italian Ports

Govt. Of India Making Inquiries

KARACHI, April 24.

The correspondence on the subject of the safety of Sindi merchants doing business at Italian ports including Benghazi and Tripoli before the outbreak of the war has passed between the External Affairs Department of the Government of India and the Bhairbund Shewa Mandal of Hyderabad, Sind.

Replying to the Shewa Mandal the Government of India say that His Majesty's Government has intimated that although appropriate enquiries have been made concerning three Indian firms at Tripoli, four in Benghazi and one in Derna the enquiries concerning four firms in Eritrea must at present be set aside as it is impossible to communicate with Italian possessions.

Replies concerning the firms in Italian North Africa may be forthcoming at a later date when such information as may prove to be available will be transmitted.

On the outbreak of the war the communication concludes, members of two Sindi firms at Naples were sent to a concentration camp.—A. P.

RANGOON, April 24.

Copies of a book in Assamese entitled "Biplabi Khetiak" (Revolutionary Peasant) by Bhupen Mahanta have been proscribed under the Sea Customs Act. Similar action has been taken in respect of a printed leaflet in Assamese entitled "Communist Estahar".—A. P.

New York Cotton Market Quietly Steady

OPERATORS AWAIT EUROPEAN AND WASHINGTON DEVELOPMENTS

Expectations Of Heavy Tenders Against May Contract

BOMBAY, April 25.

The New York Cotton Market expects heavy tenders against May contracts. There was restricted trading and operators are awaiting European and Washington developments.

The New York cotton market was influenced on Thursday by small orders either way with traders awaiting European and Washington developments Chicago grain market firmed up on replacement buying and on prospects of early congressional action on higher proposals.

NEW YORK MARKET

The New York cotton market opened steady. There was trade and spot house buying early which absorbed moderate Bombay long liquidation. Subsequently the market fluctuated narrowly. Finally there was May liquidation on expectations of heavy tenders on Friday.

At the opening July was quoted one point up at 11.12 and, with moderate buying May position advanced 4 points at 11.18 which was the highest level. Thereafter there was steady selling and May declined 9 points from the highest level and was quoted 11.09. The market closed unchanged to 5 points down. Spot cotton prices declined 5 points at 11.29c. per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton market was quietly steady and closed at a decline of one point to a rise of 2 points. Spot cotton was unchanged at 10.93c. per lb.

VARIOUS PLANS

The Cotton Trade Journal writes:—

The "certificate plan" is said to find little favour with the Administration because it amounts to a consumer tax. Its strongest proponent, Vice-President Wallace, is not in a position to give it much support. The trade, which had become reconciled to the certificate plan, is taking the administration's opposition to it into consideration and is now backing the "Johnston plan", which also would permit a certain amount of fluctuations in value, sufficient to preserve a pretense of free economics. On the other hand, Secretary of Agriculture Wickard is said to be veering towards the "Bankhead plan" and its high compensation payments.

Advocates of this plan advance the fact that with comparatively low loans, the price is kept in a groove between the amount of the season's loan price and the value of the loan cotton from previous seasons available for re-possession. In this manner there is both a floor under and a ceiling over the price. With the Bankhead plan, there would be a floor but no ceiling. They never considered the fact, of course, that in the present state of domestic economy the floor would at the same time be a ceiling and would probably remain so until long after the country would have experienced considerable inflation.

GOODS MARKET THRIVING

In the goods market, print cloths and related items continued to move in steady volume at strong or even rising prices throughout the week. The volume of sales was well above current production. Gray goods, also, were active and sheetings sold in impressive volumes. There were reports to the effect that most mills have sold their production of print cloth comfortably into June and that March deliveries will be harder to find than most buyers realize.

Expectations are that mill activity will increase rather than decrease from the record high in January. Consumption during February is estimated to show a higher daily rate than during January.

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York May highest (10-11 a.m.)	11.18+04
New York May lowest (3 p.m.)	11.09—05

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co Ltd have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:

New York: Market narrow and featureless. Closed quietly steady.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, April 24	
May	11.09—05
July	11.08—03
October	11.04—02
December	11.06
January	11.09—01
March	11.04—03
Middling Spot	11.29—05

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New York, April 24	
May	11.18
July	11.14—01
October	11.14+02
December	11.13+02
January	11.09+02
March	11.11+01
Middling Spot	10.93

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, April 24	11 a.m. call.	Noon call
May	11.14	11.15
July	11.11	11.13
October	11.07	11.09

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS

New York, April 24	Bales
Day's receipts at all U S Ports	6,000
Day's exports to Great Britain	nil
Day's exports to the Continent	nil
Day's exports to China and Japan	nil

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, April 25

Following a decline of 3 points in New York cotton futures, the local market was expected to open at Rs. 205/8 for Broach J/A delivery and the market opened at Rs 205. There was considerable Mill price-fixing of call cotton in the near Broach A/M delivery and the market ruled very steady. The difference between Broach A/M and J/A deliveries widened as old Broach A/M was quoted at Rs. 223 and J/A stood at Rs. 209, while new Broach A/M remained neglected At the rise there was scattered selling and Broach J/A delivery reacted to Rs. 208 The market was steady at this level.

Owing to disturbances in the city, there was increased selling and prices declined to Rs. 205/8. At this level there was active short covering and prices advanced to Rs. 209/12 for Broach J/A delivery. There was persistent short covering and bull support and prices further improved to Rs. 210/8. The market again hardened to Rs. 212 and finally closed at 5 p.m. as under:—

F G M G BROACH—		
April/May 1941	Rs.	228 4 0
July/August		212 4 0
April/May 1942		197 12 0
FINE M G OOMRA:—		
May		157 8 0
July		157 8 0
December/January		160 0 0
F G M G BENGAL:—		
May		124 0 0
July		124 0 0
December/January		128 0 0

COTTON TENDERS

Bombay, April 25	To-day	Total
Broach A/M	6800	16350

COTTON ROOM RATES

Bombay, April 25

	Extra Sprfine	Sup	Fine	FG	Good
M G Bengal U P		131	129	127	125
M G Punjab		131	129	127	125
M G Rajputana		136	134	132	130
M G Oomra No. 3	165	162	159	156	
M G C P No. 1	197	194	191	188	
M G C P No. 2	176	173	170	167	
M G Broach No. 2		229	226	223	220
M G Punjab-Ameri		272	269	266	263
M G Surat		342	339	336	333
M G Rajpipla		337	334	331	328
M G Navsari		352	349	346	343

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS.

Bombay, April 25	
Bengal Fine	124-27
Berar	154-58
C P. 1	188 90
C P. 2	160 63
Khandesh	125-37
Muglai	140 43
Broach	221-24
Punjab S. G. 2899 F	350 60
Punjab R. G. 289 F	325-30
Punjab R G. 4 F	255 70

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES.

Bombay, April 25

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY OF INDIAN COTTON

In full pressed bales	Yesterday.	This year.	Since 1st Sept Last year.
Khandesh	.....	97,048	52,019
Central India	.....	133,077	100,791
Barsi and Nagar	533	106,188	108,173
Hyderabad/Gaorani	103	39,261	45,169
Berar	1,085	350,314	295,849
Central Provinces	150	74,513	72,898
Total Oomras	1,871	800.401	674,899
Dholeras	812	74,103	70,858
N W Provinces	.....	1,306	24,810
Rajputana	54	5,496	29,156
Sind-Punjab	664	478,081	322,936
Broach	4,422	164,864	361,643
Coompta &. Dharwar	956	64,154	23,924
Westerns-Northerns	1,125	56,189	21,797
Cocoanada	.....	239	86
Tinnevelly & Cambodia	.....	2,179	1,326
Total	9,904	1,647,012	1,531,435
Arrived by road to 17th April 1941	.....	236,133	224,358

GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay, April 25

Yesterday London gold was unchanged at £8-8-0. Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2 at London and 4.02 3/4 at New York.

London Silver market was unchanged with Spot 23 1/2d and forward 23 1/2d. It appears that business continues very restricted with occasional trade buying and production selling. New York Spot silver was unchanged at 34 3/4 cents. Shanghai T T on London was quoted 3 1/8. London Bombay Spot and forward silver parity was Rs. 62-10-3. In the local market business is decreasing and small buying and selling is resulting in narrow price fluctuations. To-day there was slightly improved buying in gold and the market was quietly steady.

Quotations were as under:—

GOLD

Ready	Rs.	42 12 3
Vaishakh		42 13 0
Sovereigns:	Rs.	28/14/6.
Jeth		42 14 0

SILVER

Ready		62 11 6
Vaishakh		62 13 0
Jeth		62 14 0

LONDON SILVER

London, April 24

Spot	23 1/2
Forward	23 1/2

LONDON GOLD

London, April 24

Gold Bars Fine per oz	£8-8-0

COTTON PARITY

Broach A/M below New York May 267 cent. points at 331

Broach J/A below New York July 317 cent points at 331

New Broach A/M below New York March 350 cent points at 331

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, April 24

Broach A/M highest 220 lowest 214 closing 219 1/4

Broach J/A highest 207 lowest 202 1/4 closing 206

Broach A/M 1942 highest 198 lowest 193 1/2 closing 196 1/4

Oomra May highest 154 1/2 lowest 152 3/4 closing 154

Oomra July highest 154 1/2 lowest 152 3/4 closing 154

Oomra D/J highest 158 1/2 lowest 156 3/4 closing 158

Bengal May highest 124 lowest 121 1/2 closing 124

Bengal July highest 124 lowest 121 1/2 closing 124

Bengal D/J highest 127 1/2 lowest 126 closing 127 1/2

LINSEED & WHEAT.

Bombay, April 25

Linseed May	Rs.	4 15 3
Linseed September		5 2 9
Wheat May		3 15 9
Wheat September		4 0 9

TEJI MANDI PREMIUMS.

Bombay, April 25

Wheat September	0 8 3
Linseed September	0 10 6
Groundnuts May	0 12 0
Groundnuts August	3 6 0
Castorseeds May	1 0 0
Castorseed September	4 0 0
Cottonseed May	0 8 0
Cottonseeds September	2 0 0
Silver 1st settlement	0 12 0
Silver 2nd settlement	1 4 0
Gold 1st settlement	0 10 0
Gold 2nd settlement	1 0 0

AMERICAN COTTON FIGURES

	1940 41	1939-40
F P Bales		
Receipts to date 24-4-41	3413000	7172000
Receipts yesterday 24-4-41	6000	5000
Export to date 24-4-41	844000	5782000
Stock at Ports 18-4-41	3360000	2708000
Stock at Interior Towns 18-4-41	2871000	2475000
Stock at Liverpool 18-4-41	.....	.....
Visible Supply 18-4-41	.....	.....
Quantity in sight 18 4 41	10081000	12571000
Quantity out of sight 18 4-41	.....	.....

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, April 25

The market opened higher and presented a firm tone in the initial stages but later on suffered a decline. Tata Deferreds, which closed at 1715 yesterday, opened at 1730 and after touching 1735 steadily declined to 1705. Tata Ordinaries opened better at 359-8 and after being quoted at 360 declined to 355. Bombay Dyeings were a little unsteady being finally quoted lower at 985. Indian Irons were ruling steady around 27-5.

The following were the important quotations on the Exchange, to-day:—

Tata Deferreds (1715) 1730 1735 1705
Tata Ordinaries (357) 359-8 360 355
Tata Ordinary 355; Tata Deferred 1705; Indian Iron 27/5; Bombay Dyeing 985; Century 360; Central India 282/8; Kohinoor 370; Associated Cement 132; Bombay Burma 460; Scindia Steam 18/11; Tata Hydro 173/12; Reserve Bank 103/4; Imperial Bank F P 1528/12; Central Bank 41/4. Bank of India 139; 3 1/2 per cent Paper 94/2.

3 per cent Defence Bonds (Previous Issues)	Rs. 44.85.72,200
3 per cent Second Defence Loan 1949 52 From 1st February to 19th April	Rs 4,88,14,800
INTEREST FREE DEFENCE BONDS. Subscriptions to April 19	
All-India	Rs. 2.36 20.0.0
Bombay City	Rs. 53,45.2
POST OFFICE TEN-YEAR DEFENCE SAVINGS CERTIFICATES Subscriptions to April 19	
All-India	Rs. 2.54,12,000
Bombay City	Rs. 30,79,400

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Bombay, April 25.

2 3/4 per cent 1948/52 Loan 97
3 1/2 per cent G P Notes 94-2
3 per cent 1941 Bonds 100-4
3 per cent 1951/54 Bonds 99-6
3 per cent 1963/65 Loan 94-2
3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 Loan 102-2
4 per cent 1960/70 Loan 107-14
4 per cent 1943 Bonds 104-4
3 per cent War Bonds 101-4
4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 Loan 113-0

TAX FREE LOANS

5 per cent 1945/55 Loan 110-2
4 per cent 1963/65 Mysore 115
5 per cent 1955 Mysore 125

CORPORATION DEBENTURES

4 per cent B P T 1947 108
4 per cent M Deb 1974 107-8
5 per cent M Deb 1950 115-8
6 per cent M Deb 1954 127
6 per cent K P T 1956 127

Tone:—Subdued

MONEY MARKET

Bombay, April 25

LONDON:—

Banks buying 3 months 1/6 7/32 two months Banks buying 3 months 1/6 1/4 next two months

B. C. RATES:

T T 1/5 29/32; D D 1/5 29/32
Banks selling T T 1/5 15/16; D D 1/5 15/16
Banks buying T T 1/6d; D D 1/6 3/32

NEW YORK:—

Banks selling T T 333 1/4; D D 333 1/4
Banks buying T T 330; D D 328

MONTREAL:—

Banks selling T T 303, D D 304
Banks buying T T 297 3/4; D D 296 1/4

JAVA:—

Banks selling T T 55 3/4; D D 56
Banks buying T T 57 1/2; D D 57 3/8

JAPAN:—

Banks selling T T 81 1/2; D D 81 1/2
Banks buying T T 77 1/2; D D not quoted

BERNE:—

Banks selling T T 126 3/4; D D 126 3/4
Banks buying T T 131; D D 131

STOCKHOLM:

Banks selling T T 123; D D 123
Banks buying T T 128; D D 128

SINGAPORE:—

Banks selling T T 158; D D 158
Banks buying T T 155; D D 155

HONGKONG:

Banks selling T T 85 1/4; D D 84 1/2
Banks buying T T 81 1/2; D D 81 1/2

SHANGHAI:

Banks selling T T 19 3/4; D D 18 3/4
Banks buying T T 17; D D 17

MEXICO:

Banks selling T T 67.27; D D 66.27
Banks buying T T 63.04; D D 62.04

LISBON:—

Banks selling T T 7.35; D D 7.35
Banks buying T T 7.55; D D 7.55

CROSS RATES:—

London/New York Dol 4 02 1/2-3 1/2
London/Montreal Dol. 4.43/47
London/Java Glds. 7 58/62
London/Japan Sh 1/2 1/2
London/Berne Fcs 17.30/40
London/Stockholm K 16.85/95
Singapore/London Sh 2/4 5/32-7/32
Hongkong/London Sh 1/3 1/32
Shanghai/London Sh 0/3 11/32.
Mexico/London Pes 19.5 21.5
Lisbon/London Esc 99 80-100.20
New York/London Dol 4.02 1/4

JAPAN:—

Bank's buying 60 days st. 76 1/2
Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Steady
Gold £8/8/0 Ready
New York Silver 34 3/4
London Silver 23 1/2 Ready; 23 1/2 Forward
London Discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per cent
London Discounts 6 months 1 1/4 per cent
Reserve Bank rate 3 per cent.
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.
Money: Call 1/4 per cent
1 to 3 months 1/2 per cent.
6 months 3/4 per cent
Tone of Money Market:—Easy

COLOMBO QUOTATIONS

Colombo, April 25

Rubber: 58 1/4 sheet, 58 1/2 crepe. Yesterday's closing same. Copra 26.50, cocoanut oil f.o.b. 185.00 nominal. Share market: Estates Company of Uva 14 1/2, The Breton Tea 60 Tonacombe 11 1/2, Uppermaskeliya 16 1/2, Kalutara Rubber 5 1/2, Vaikundam 8 3/8, Girindialla Tea 5, Kuttapitiya Tea Rubber 8 1/2, Saffragam Rubber Tea 100, Hangaranoya Tea 7, Nelliampathyhills 1 1/4, Muppanevalley 15, Commercial Companies Ceylon Cold Stores 15.

BANK OF ENGLAND WEEKLY RETURNS

London, April 24

	This week
Total bullion	£ 1,500,000
Public deposits	16,100,000
(a) Other deposits	164,700,000
Government securities	132,200,000
(b) Other securities	57,300,000
Notes and coin	9,100,000
Notes in circulation	622,500,000
Ratio of Reserve to liabilities	5.00 p.c
(a) Other deposits include bankers	112,500,00.
(b) Other securities include discounts	38,200,000
Total deposits	180,800,000
Total securities	189,500,000

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, April 24

T T London on:—	
New York	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
Madrid	40.5/
Montreal	4.43/4 4
B rne	17.30/17 4
Stockholm	16.85/16.95

Increased Selling In Shares

ABSENCE OF BUYING AT THE OPENING RISE

Operators Await Developments

Bombay, April 25

The local share bazar opened steady in sympathy with improvement in raw cotton prices, but there being no follow up on the buying side, prices reacted few points under scattered selling. Business was restricted and prices fluctuated within a narrow range and there is less disposition to operate pending developments in Europe.

The Wall Street market mildly revived mainly with appreciation in the technical position and mediation in the coal strike but tax outlook remains a plague. U. S Steel shares closed 3/8 down at 51 7/8 and Anaconda Copper Mining shares improved 1/4 at 23 3/4 dollars.

The local market seems to have lost optimistic feeling for the time being and while prices are depressed, the action of the market remains disappointing. The industrial outlook has not undergone any change and remains moderately favourable but sentiment seems developing against the market. At present quotations Tata Steel shares including the coming dividend can be looked upon a good investment lock-up but the market is not inclined to lend support to the upward trend. This change in the sentiment is bound to result into narrow irregular price movements and it will be advisable to have no speculative interest.

Tata Steel Defd shares opened to-day at Rs. 1803 and after advancing to Rs. 1805 declined to Rs. 1797. There was scattered buying and prices improved to Rs. 1803 but there being no follow up on the buying side, prices sagged to Rs. 1790 on scattered liquidation. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 364 and eased off to Rs 362. Bombay Dyeing shares opened at Rs. 1040 and quietened down at Rs. 1035. Associated Cement shares opened very steady at Rs. 138 but with increased selling declined to Rs. 136. Later on there were some rumours and with increased selling prices declined. Tata Steel Dfds. declined to Rs. 1797 and steadied at Rs. 1772. Ordinary shares were quoted at Rs. 358 and Bombay Dyeing shares declined to Rs. 1025.

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE.

Bombay, April 25

Bombay Dyeing (1035) 1040 1041 1033 1025
Century (362) 388 389 380 377 379 378
Central India (2992/8) 298 292 288/8
Kohinoor (388) 393 383 381
New Great (381) 385 375
Simplex (100/8) 102 99
Swadeshi (277/8) 280 282 272
Associated Cement (136/4) 138 136/8 134/8 134/12
Andhra (1885) 1885
Tram Ord (136) 136
Tata Hydro (180) 180
Tata Power (1572/8) 1577 1565
T Steel Defd (1783/12) 1800 1805 1797 1803 1780 1767 1772 1771
T Steel Ord (361) 364 362 363 357 358
Tata Steel 2nd Pref (147/8) 147/8 147/4 147
Bellapur (204) 204 203/8 202/8
B Steam (308) 308
B Burma (481/4) 487 482 473 472

TEXTILE SHARES

Bombay, April 25.

100 Ahm. Advance	.....	280 0
250 BOMBAY DYEING	.....	025 0
100 CENTURY X.D.	.....	378 0
100 CENTRAL INDIA	.....	288 8
100 COLABA	.....	163 8
100 Coorla	.....	104 0
250 Davin	.....	37 8
250 Dawn	.....	322 8
1 E. D. Sassoon Def.	.....	0 11 6
100 FINLAY	...	175 0
100 GOKAK	.....	195 8
1000 Hindustan	.....	2190 0
100 Indore	.....	74 0
100 Khatau	.....	140 0
100 KOHINOOR	...	381 0
250 LAXMI	.....	482 8
100 MORARJI	.....	210 0
250 Model	.....	85 0
50 MYSORE	.....	110 0
200 NEW GREAT	...	375 0
100 Oosmanshahi	...	68 0
100 Phoenix	.....	280 0
25 Sassoon Silk	.....	87 0
1000 Sholapur	.....	2910 0
50 SIMPLEX	...	99 0
100 SWADESHI	...	272 0
100 SWAN	.....	181 0
500 Vishnu	.....	1320 0
1000 Western	.....	1120 0

BANKS

50-100 BARODA	.....	107 12
25-50 CENTRAL	.....	41 8
500 IMPERIAL	.....	1528 12
125-500 Imp Contrys.	.....	382 8
50-100 India	...	140 0
100 RESERVE BANK	.....	103 8
5 UNION	.....	6 5

CEMENTS

100 ASSOCIATED	...	134 12

INSURANCE

100 Empire	.....	652 8
15-100 JUPITER	.....	13 8
20 Mercantile	.....	62 0
15-75 NEW INDIA	.....	41 4
200 Oriental	.....	3.32 0
10-50 Vulcan	...	8 11

ELECTRIC

100 AHMD. OLD	.....	178 12
100 ANDHRA VALLEY	.....	1885 0
10 AJMER	.....	12 1
50 BOMBAY TRAM	...	136 0
100 Bombay Suburban	...	185 0
10 Broach	.....	13 2
100 Karachi	...	215 4
100 Poona	.....	225 10
100 Surat	.....	179 6
100 TATA HYDRO	.....	180 0
1000 TATA POWER	...	1565 0

RAILWAYS

500 Ahmedabad Prantij	...	842 8
100 C. Province	.....	104 12
100 Dhond Baramati	.....	104 4
100 Gujarat	.....	101 8
100 Mandra Bhon	.....	104 0
100 Pachora Jamner	.....	63 8
100 Sara Sirajgunj	.....	103 0
500 Tapti Valley	.....	641 4

MININGS

9 Burma Corporation	.....	4 2 0
8sh. Indian Copper	.....	1 12
10 Indian Iron and Steel	.....	27 2
10 SHIVRAJPUR	.....	27 12
30 TATA STEEL DEF.	.....	1771 4
75 TATA STEEL ORD.	...	358 0
10 Steel Corporation	...	16 10

MISCELLANEOUS

100 ALCOCK	.....	542 8
10 Air Services	...	8
50 BELAPUR SUGAR	...	202 8
200 Bombay Safe Dep.	.....	595 0
250 BOMBAY STEAM	.....	308 0
125 B. Burma	.....	471 4
50 B. Burma Cont.	...	172 8
8sh. Br. B Petrol	...	3 0 6
50 BOMBAY TELEPHONE	.....	86 0
100 IND BLEACHING	...	126 8
50 Ind. Invest Trust	...	45 0
100 Indian Radio Def.	.....	532 8
100 Indian Radio Ord.	.....	533 12
100 Port Canning	...	88 8
30 PREMIER CON.	.....	85 8
15 SCINDIA	.....	18 9
25 Tata Oil	.....	36 14
100 Wimco	...	204 0

PREFERENCE

7 p.c Andhra Valley	.....	1540 0
6 p.c. Bombay Steam	...	313 12
7 p.c Bom. Tram (T. F.)	...	76 8
5 p.c. Central India (T.F.)	...	637 8
6 1/4 p.c. Prem Const. 1st	.....	115 8
6 1/4 p.c Premier Const. 2nd	...	108 8
7 p.c Tata Hydro	.....	153 12
7 1/2 p.c. Tata Power	.....	1558 12
6 p.c Tata Steel 1st	...	215 0
7 1/2 p.c. Tata Steel 2nd	...	147 0
7 p.c Vishnu	.....	753 12

DEBENTURES

3 3/4 p.c. Andhra Valley	.....	101 4
6 p.c. Andhra Valley	...	101 4
4 p.c Bom. Telephone	...	51 8
5 p.c. Sholapur	...	76 4

All-India Cotton Crop

The All-India Cotton Crop fifth supplementary forecast for 1940-41 is as under:—

Area: 22,902,000 acres or 6 per cent more.
Yield: 5,785,000 bales or 18 per cent more

DETAILS

	Area	Production
Bengals	2,807,000	1,176,000
Americans	2,566,000	1,092,000
Oomras	6,597,000	1,489,000
Broach	888.000	223,000
Surti	656,000	142,000
Dholleras	2,050,000	314,000
Others	7.399,000	1,349,000
Total	22,902,000	5,785,000

Seeds Market Closed

Owing to disturbances in Mandvi, the local seeds market suspended trading abruptly Other markets also in Mandvi area closed down business.

Groundnuts And Seeds

Bombay, April 25

Groundnuts May—		
Opening	Rs.	27 12 6
Closing		28 0 0
Castorseeds May—		
Opening		30 4 0
Closing		30 4 0
Cottonseeds May—		
Opening		19 14 0
Closing		19 15 6
Groundnuts August—		
Opening		29 2 0
Closing		29 5 6
Castorseeds September—		
Opening		31 10 0
Closing		31 8 0
Cottonseeds September—		
Opening		20 10 0
Closing		20 10 0

N.B. The market opened as usual but owing to disturbances trading was suspended.

BOMBAY METALS

Bombay, April 25

Yellow metal sheets	Rs.	72 0 0
Copper sheets	Rs.	77 12 0

Tone:—Steady

PRECIOUS METALS

Bombay, April 25

The following are the weekly quotations for the Precious Metals:

Platinum 100 per cent Rs. 68 per tola Elephant Brand
Platinum 97 per cent Rs. 67 per tola Elephant Brand
Platinum 25 per cent Rs. 20 per tola Another Brand
Palladium 100 per cent Rs. 50 per tola
Iridium 100 per cent Rs. 200 per tola
Osmium 100 per cent Rs. 70 per tola
Ruthenium 100 per cent Rs. 90 per tola
Rhodium 100 per cent Rs. 250 per tola

LONDON SEEDS

London, April 24

Wheat Rozario Santa Fe April/May quoted		20/10 1/2
Wheat Barletta Russo April/May quoted		20/10 1/2
Wheat South Australian April/May quoted		87/9

Thundershowers And Rainfall

POONA: April 25.

Thundershowers have been fairly widespread in Assam and local in Malabar. A few thundershowers also occurred in Bengal. South-east Madras and South Bombay Deccan.

Chief amounts of rainfall: Sibsagar 2 inches; Calicut 1 1/2; Cherrapunji 1; Dibrugarh and Tezpur 1/2 each; Madura and Kodaikanal 1/4 each.

Temperatures generally above normal over the country, being markedly so in East United Provinces, East Central India and North east Central Provinces.

Forecast till 26th evening: Widespread thundershowers are likely in Assam. Scattered thundershowers will also occur in North and South-East Bengal and a few thunderstorms in South-West Bengal and Southern half of the Peninsula. Temperatures may fall along and near the North-West Frontier.—A. P.

COLABA OBSERVATORY, BOMBAY

Summary of Meteorological Observations during 24 hours ending 8 a.m of 25-4-1941.

Change of 8 a.m. barometer in past 24 hours +.004 inches
Temperature (dry bulb) at 8 a.m. 82.1 degrees
Temperature (wet bulb) at 8 a.m. 77.1 degrees
Maximum temperature durigg 24 hours 90.6 degrees 1.7 (above normal)
Minimum temperature during 24 hours 77.1 degrees 0.4 (above normal)
Relative humidity at 8 a.m 79 per cent
Direction of wind at 8 a.m. Calm.
Velocity of wind at 8 a.m. 1 mile per hour
Total movement of wind in 24 hours 119 miles
Velocity of maximum gust of wind during 24 hours 14 miles per hour
Extent of cloud at 8 a.m. (the whole sky cloudy eq. 10) 1

OFFICIAL BAROMETER READING

DATED 25-4-41.

At 8-7 a.m. local time (8-46 a.m. Indian Standard Time) and temperature 85.2 deg F. a mercury barometer without index error at mean sea level would actually read 30.07 inches and a compensated aneroid 29.86 inches

For correction of ships instruments please subtract from the above official

NEW YORK COTTON FOUR POINTS UP

COTTON:

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES

JULY 1941
New York: April 25.

Previous closing	11.08
To-day's opening	11.07
Difference	—1
To-day's closing	11.12
Difference	+4

BROACH EXPECTATION

Broach April/May	Rs. 229/0
Broach July/August	Rs. 213/0
Broach April/May 1942	Rs. 198/8

NEW YORK COTTON
New York: April 25.

New York cotton was quietly steady on absence of any definite developments in Washington, but the undertone remained good helped by encouraging Bombay cables.

Trading in July began at 11.07, i.e. 1 point lower than the last closing. Prices eased slightly on scattered hedging and May liquidation but the pressure soon subsided and steadier tone appeared.

The following are to-day's opening ranges in New York cotton:—

May (11.16/15) 11.08/08
July (11.12/12) 11.07/07
October (11.06/06) 11.05/05

LONDON COMMODITIES
London: April 25.

Casterseeds unquoted
Linseed Bombay Calcutta April/May (£18 9/15 quoted) £18 9/16 quoted
Linseed La Plata May (£11 3/4 quoted) £11 3/4 quoted
Groundnuts Coromandal April/May (£17 1/4 quoted) £17 1/4 quoted

JUTES

Dundee April (£47) £47
Lightning April (£43) £43

RUBBER

Spot (14 1/8d buyers) 14 1/16d buyers
Forward July/September (14 1/8d paid and value) 14 1/16d buyers.

LONDON METALS

Tin (£271 1/4 buyers; £271 1/2 sellers. steady) £271 3/4 buyers; £272 sellers. Steady.
Electrolytic Copper (£62) £63
Lead (£25) £25
Glasgow Iron No. 3 (131 sh.) 131 sh.

EXCHANGES:

CROSS RATES

T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON
New York: April 25.

Previous closing	4.02 3/4
To-day's opening	4.02 3/4

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK
London: April 25.

Previous closing	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To day's opening	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To day's closing	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2

T. T. LONDON ON PARIS
London: April 25.

T. T. London on Paris not quoted.

LONDON EXCHANGES
London: April 25.

London Exchange opened with the sterling/dollar at 4.02.50 to 4.03.50, which is officially fixed rate.

LONDON BULLION

LONDON SILVER
London: April 25.

Spot (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d nil
Forward (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d nil

LONDON GOLD
London: April 25.

London Gold (£8/8/0) £8/8/0

CROSS RATES

London on Bombay (1-5 31/32) 1-5 31/32
Paris on Bombay not quoted
New York on Milan not quoted
New York on Bombay (30.33) 30.33
London on Shanghai (0-3 1/32 to 0-3 11/32) 0-3 1/32 to 0-3 11/32
London on Kobe (1-2 to 1-2 1/2) 1-2 to 1-2 1/2

DISCOUNTS

3 months (1 1/4 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/4 to 1 1/4 per cent.
4 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent.
6 months (1 1/8 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/8 to 1 1/4 per cent.

BULLION AND SEEDS
Bombay: April 25.

There was no trading during the night session.

PRESENT INDIAN COTTON PRICES LOW

War Of Nerves Attacks Market

Bombay, April 24

Messrs. P. Chrystal and Co. have issued the following weekly report:—

Except for Tuesday of this week when the New York market dropped 8/15 points, there has been very little fluctuation since we last wrote. The abovementioned decline was said to be due to the transference of longs from the near months to distants, particularly to get away from the first tender day in New York which is to-morrow. As was to be expected there have been considerable repossessions lately which have brought out a certain amount of hedging. Also there has been slightly less confidence in a higher Loan level but on the whole, in spite of the rather poorer War news from the Allied point of view, the tone of the American market has been remarkably steady. Internal consumption continues to increase to progressingly new high records just as exports continue to decline. The latter is not surprising as American cotton is now definitely dear on parity with most other competing growths, apart altogether from the difficulties of obtaining American dollar exchange and freight space to take away any cotton which might be sold. These conditions are likely to continue as long as the War, but a stage is being approached when American internal consumption will take care of the annual crop and then any exports will have to come out of the Loan. So far as we can judge it is unlikely we shall see any violent change in values in the New York market in the near future.

LOCAL MARKET

The reactionary trend in the Bombay market has continued throughout the past week. The communal trouble which started in Ahmedabad last week-end encouraged liquidation and short selling but we are glad to report that the position in that place is slowly returning to normal, though it will be some time before the many people who fled the city can be persuaded to return. The latest news from Greece which reached Bombay yesterday brought out very heavy speculative selling particularly in the July/August Broach contract, which is now the broadcast medium of operation. As we have pointed out on many occasions this contract is definitely vulnerable, but in times like the present operators are inclined to forget this. This vulnerability has been demonstrated lately by the very large proportion of tenders which have been rejected in the Arbitration and Appeal Rooms. In certain sections of the trade there is a belief that many of these decisions have been unfairly harsh on the cotton tendered, but the fact remains that the cotton is being rejected, and should there be no change in the attitude of the Arbitrators and Appeal Committee, present bears will have to be careful for these sales must be covered. In the meantime the bears are assisting that section of the trade which has bought cotton on "call" in that they will now be able to fix their purchases at a lower level than at one time looked likely. A considerable amount of such fixing has been done during this week. After all, the consuming section of the trade in this country can afford present prices and this fact must have a stabilising influence on values. Whilst the present War of Nerves is attacking our cotton market it is possible prices might be depressed still further, but we should like to suggest to bears that present prices of Indian cotton are now low and that before the end of the present season all tenderable cotton will be required.

SHIPPING NEWS.

IMPORTS
Bombay: April 25.

13635 bls cotton, 632 c/s condiments, 60 c/s drugs, 450 kegs wire nails, 110 c/s end fruits 631 rolls wood pulp boards, 60 c/s sauce, 37 trusses pickers, 50 c/s herrings, 30 c/s kippered snacks, 153 c/s sardines, 156 lse San earthenware, 54 c/s steel, 77 c/s card clothing, 60 casks Lissapal paste, 32 kegs Calgon S, 891 pkgs newsprint paper, 634 dms bichg powder, 1103 dms solid caustic soda, 680 dms solid sodium sulphide, 400 bags Limbux, 54 dms silicate of soda, 240 kegs Formusul, 50 dms hydrosulphite of soda, 39 bdls brass rods 320 bdls copper rods, 388 pkgs dyes, varnish etc., 90 dms tar, 388 lse pneum M/car outer covers, 51 bls De-Lustre tops, 292 brls pitch, 46 c/s polishing composition, 50 dms ships bottom composition, 100 c/s sourine, 42 rolls pneum push cycle outer covers, 38 trusses picking bands, 170 c/s biscuits, 215 bxs tin plate, 40 c/s photo paper, 33 c/s sliciaware, 89 c/s blank film, 48 c/s shuttles, 129 c/s bobbins, 80 c/s cotton fents, 276 c/s cotton pcegoods, 76 c/s toilet powder, 174 c/s toilet soap, 190 c/s whisky, 350 c/s ale, 31 c/s confectionery, 53 c/s rayon yarn, 100 c/s lime juice cordial, 116 c/s preserves, 101 c/s empty cartons, 101 c/s window glass, 76 c/s plate glass, 80 c/s Vimto cordial, 220 c/s shoe tacks 761 ctns accumulators, 2011 bdls M S hoops, 1500 bdls steel hoops, 130 cts soap flakes, 87 bags upholstry springs, 200 dms lead ore, 300 lse C I cisterns, 87 drums zinc chloride, 44 pkgs iron tank plates, 52 tins bitu lac, 50 v/s cotton cording engines, 450 pairs pressed steel beam flanges, 508 lse pneum covers and tubes, 40 ctns insulator bricks, 100 D/bags lump whiting, 114 pkgs strawboards, 31 hrs iron belting, 1104 pkgs machinery and parts 66 pkgs cycles and recos.

EXPORTS
Bombay: April 25.

357 bags dill seed S M Rajgor and Co; 103 bags almonds seeds Habid Rawji and Co; 32 bls raw D/s goat skins D Abraham and Sons; 20 c/s pistacho nuts Habid Rawji and Co; 118 bls cotton pcegoods Cox and Kings (Agents) Ltd; 97 bls raw cotton Narandas Rajaram and Co; 205 bls cotton pcegoods S R Pusalkar and Co; 15 bls cotton pcegoods M B Shah.

3 1/2 P.C. STERLING LOAN
London: April 25.

3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed to-day at £99 1/4

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE
London: April 25.

London Stock Exchange was generally maintained.

AUSTRALIAN LOANS
London: April 25.

5 per cent 1958/68 (£104 5/8) £104 5/8

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent Consols (£77 1/4) £77 1/8
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£103 3/8) £103 1/2
2 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£99) £99
4 per cent Funding Loan (£112 1/4) £112 1/4
3 1/2 per cent War Loan (£104 1/4) £103 ex-div. (doubtful)
New War Loan (£100 3/8) £100 3/8
4 1/2 per cent Victory Bonds (£110 7/8) £110 7/8

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors (11-0) 11-0
Marks and Spencer Ordinary (31-6) 31-6
Hydro Electric No dealings.
Electric Music Industry (7-4 1/2) 7-4 1/2
Princhin Johnson (17-0) 17-0
Imperial Chemicals (29-1 1/2) 29-3
Woolsworth New Ordinary (46-9) 46-9
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rates (£49) £48 1/2
Dundee Rubber (32-0) 32-3
Unilever Ordinary (21-0) 21-0
Ford Motors (17-3) 17-4 1/2
Cable and Wireless New Ordinary (£62) £62
British American Tobacco Ordinary (83-9) 83-9.
Carreas 'A' (£3 3/4) £3 3/4
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (90-0) 90-0
P and O Def (22 4 1/2) 22-4 1/2
Distillers (62-0) 62-6
Bredfords Dye (3-3) 3-3
British Celanese (3-7 1/2) 3-7 1/2
J and P Coates (28-10 1/2) 28-7 1/2
Courtaulds Ordinary (28-6) 29-0
Fine Cotton Spinners (2-9) 2-9
Vickers Limited Ordinary (14-7 1/2) 14 7 1/2
Inter Nickel Ordinary (dol 39 1/2) dol 39½
Indian Iron (43-9) 43-9

TEA SHARES

Assam Company (18-0) 18-0
Donaro Tea (28-6) 28-6
Empire of India (21-3) 21-3

JUTE

Barnagore (£7) £7

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo Dutch Rubber (14-0) 14-0
Gula Kelampong (15-0) 15-0
Rubber Plant Inv Trust (24-9) 24-9

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug (17-6) 17-6
Burma Corporation (6-9) 6-9
Rio Tintos (£7) £7
East Rand Properties (40-0) 40-4
Rand Mines (£6 3/4) £6 7/8

MINE SHARES

Crown (£11 7/8) £11 7/8
Associated Portland Cement (48-9) 48-9
Trinidad Leasehold (65-0) 65-0
Sub Nigel (£7 1/8) £7 1/8
Spring Mines Split Shares (20-7 1/2) 20-7 1/2
Union Corporation (£6 5/8) £6 5/8.

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian (26-3) 26-3
Anglo-India (28-1 1/2) 29-4 1/2
Burma Oil (45-0) 46-3
Mexican Eagle (6-3) 6-4 1/2
Shell Transport (41-3) 40-7 1/2
Royal Dutch (£16) £16

RAILWAY SHARES

Great Western Ordinary (£32 1/4) £32 1/4
London Midland Ordinary (£11 7/8) £11 3/4
London North Eastern Def (£1 1/2) £1 1/2
London Southern Def (£9 3/8) £9 3/8
London Transport 5 per cent (£123) £123
London Transport 'C' (£30) £30

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE
New York: April 25.

Following are the New York Stock Exchange opening prices:—

General Motors dol 38
Anaconda Copper Mining dol 23 5/8
United States Steel Common dol 51 7/8
United States Steel Preference unquoted.

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

CALCUTTA: April 25.

A slightly better feeling was in evidence in the Stock Exchange to-day on renewed buying support. Jutes, Coals, Teas, Cottons and Government Securities met with slight enquiry and prices improved a little from their recent setback. Speculative Engineering shares and popular Miscellaneous Industrials were a share steadier on faig buying.

The following were closing quotations:—

Govt. Securities 3 per cent loan 1941 100/7, 3 per cent loan 1951/54 98/12, 3 per cent loan 1963/65 95 s odd lot, 3 per cent defence bonds 1946 101/10 s odd lot. 3 1/2 per cent Govt. Paper 94/2, 3 1/2 per cent loan 1947/50 102 s lot; 5 per cent loan 1945/55 110/4.

Banks: Central 43 s odd lot; Imperial fully paid 1543, Conty 378. Reserve 103.

Cottons: Buwreah 'B' Pref 67, Cawnpore Textiles 5/12, Dunbar 182, Elgin Mills ordy 18/1, New Victoria ordy 2/1.

Coals: Bengal 338, Bhalgora 4/2 ex-div, Borakur 12/11, Hurriladih 11/14, Lakurka 9/2, Mundulpoor 9/7, Nazira 7/6, North Damuda 4/11, Parasea Ans. 13, Pench Valley 34 s odd lots, Seebpore 19, Pref Talcher 1/4, West Jamuria 27/6.

Jutes: Adamjee 20/11, Agarpara 25, Alliance 231/8, Pref 128 s lot, Anglo-India 305 s odd lot, Auckland Pref 145, Bally 208, Barnagore 90, Bengal Jute ordy 13/6 Birla 25/12 Budge-Budge 328, Champdany 153, Clive 21/1, Clive 'A' Pref 143 s lots, Craig 1/6 s lots, Gourepore 643 Howrah 48/12, Hukumchand not quoted, India 387, Kamarhatty 440, Kankanarrah 339, Lawrence 354 s lot, Meghna 38/4, National 21/2, Nuddea 52/4, Orient 169, Presidency 3/14, Waverley 1/14.

Miscellaneous: Burma Corpn 4/1, Consolidated Tin 2, Indian Copper 1/13, Rhodesia Copper Ans. 11, Dalmia Cement ordy 11, Alkali and Chemical Pref 120, Braithwaite and Co. 8/10, Burn and Co. ordy 355 s lots, Hukumchand Steel ordy 10/8, Defd 2/4, Indian Iron and Steel 27/3, Indian St. Wagon Pref 160, Steel Corpn 16/8, B I Corpn ordy 3/13. Dunlop Rubber ordy 37/8, Second Pref 115, Indo-Burma Petroleum ordy 98 c div odd lot Orient Paper ordy 10/10; Old Pref 106, Titaghur Paper 16 s l s, Rubber Broga 57 1/2 cts

Teas: Bishnauth 24/1, Hasimara 42, Ranicherra 10/8.

Debentures: 5 per cent. 1915/45 Indian Genl Navigation Debs 103/8 s lot.

Sugar: Raza 15/2.—A. P.

MADRAS SHARE MARKET

MADRAS: April 25.

There was restricted turnover in the local Stock Exchange and the market has been rather dull. Textiles were narrowly irregular while Plantings were steady. Miscellaneous issues remained unchanged.

Transactions reported from 12 noon yesterday to 12 noon to-day:—

Mettur Industries 144, Kaleeswarar 281/8, Lakshmis 61/12, Midlands 4/15/6, Malankaras 35, 35/4, Cochin Malabar ord 6/10, 6/12, 6/12, Periakarmalai 17/10, Udayagiris 6/2, Bainoor pref 11/14, Vaikundams 8/9 c d, Mysore Sugar 54, 54/4, 54/8, South Indian Sugar Pref 55/8, South Indian Sugar ord 10/4, Andhra Cement Pref 114, Andhra Cement Ord 68/8, Mysore Chemicals 16/10, 16/11, 16/12, Bosotto 7 per cent Pref 4/4, Spencer 'A' 9/8, Amrutanjan Pref 99.

Bombay Yarn Quotations

MONTHLY SETTLEMENT RATES
Bombay: April 25.

Yarn No.	April	June	August
6 1/2s.	135	136	137
10 1/2s.	146	148	149
20 1/2s.	213	215	216½
40s.	320	323	325

GRADING & MARKING OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE "CATCHING ON" IN INDIA

400 Centres In Operation At End Of 1940

The quantity of "Agmark" produce marketed in 1940 exceeded by two-thirds the quantity in the previous year, states the Agricultural Marketing Adviser to the Government of India in his Annual Report for 1940. The totals were Rs. 61 lakhs in 1939 and Rs. 102 1/4 lakhs in 1940.

By the end of 1940, there were 363 authorised packers and the standardised grading and marking of agricuitural produce was being carried out commercially at more than 400 centres. The number of grading stations at work at the end of the previous year was 150.

The largest increase in sales of graded produce in 1940 was in respect of rice. Sales of pecified varieties of this crop rose from Rs. 3 1/2 lakhs in 1939 to Rs. 10 1/2 lakhs —mainly owing to the formation of co-operative associations of packers in Madras Presidency—for both export and internal sale.

RICE MARKETING

This development was due to the fact that rice marketing survey showed that "rice" as an average product and as known in common parlance did not exist. Consumers in India, and Indian consumers abroad, exercise as much discrimination in their choice of qualities of rice as a Frenchman does in wine. This applies particularly to the fine and medium rices, which constitute about 75 per cent of the marketable surplus of the rice crop which leaves the villages for sale in urban areas.

Sales of standardised fresh fruits increased from about Rs. 25,000 in 1939 to Rs. 1,50,000 in 1940, while sales of Agmark cotton amounted in 1940 to over Rs. 17 lakhs.

PREMIUMS FOR STANDARD PRODUCE

The Report gives examples showing how producers obtained additional returns from the sale of standardised products.

The best results were obtained by growers of grape-fruit and oranges in the Punjab. They obtained premiums as high as 50 per cent for graded fruit.

Baroda growers of 1027 A.L.F. cotton, to whom the full extra premium was passed back, secured an average enhanced price of Rs. 10-6-9 per candy over local Surat cotton on sales of Agmark cotton of 1027 A.L.F. type. Bombay growers of the same cotton obtained a premium of 5 per cent for Agmark graded bales. The Madras rice-grading unions also obtained premiums for Agmark produce over ungraded products.

PROBLEMS ARISING FROM WAR

War conditions gave rise to many problems requiring the attention of the marketing staff which was called upon to supply information and advice on a wide range of subjects involving, in many cases, special investigation and inquiry.

The output of all-India marketing surveys was considerably speeded up during 1940, six surveys being completed as compared to two in the previous year.

The Report states that there are signs of a change of attitude towards standardised produce, and that the development of trading on the basis of standard methods of grading and marking is definitely "catching on."

The constitutional position in the provinces continued to be unfavourable for further consideration of any proposals for giving statutory backing to standard contracts. The all-India standard contract terms for linseed and white wheat were, however, adopted by the Marwari Chamber of Commerce of Bombay. The terms of standard contracts for hand-picked selected groundnut kernels and nuts in shell were agreed to at a trade conference.

TRIALS WITH STANDARD CONTAINERS

Trials were carried out on a commercial scale in Madras, Travancore, Bengal, the Punjab, the North-West Frontier Province and Assam with standard containers for fruit and eggs. In the Travancore experiment, the loss on about 3,00,000 eggs from damage and breakage was only 0.52 per cent, as compared with a loss of 1.77 per cent from breakage and pilfering when ordinary baskets are used. In the Bengal experiment, the loss in standard boxes was 0.5 per cent as compared to 2.5 per cent from baskets.. Several railways helped the experiments by allowing concessional rates for standard containers.

MADRAS SKINS AND HIDES TRADE HIT

Plea For Restoration Of Shipping Facilities

MADRAS, April 25.

Brigadier E. Wood, Director-General of Supplies who is on a visit to Madras met the members of the Southern India Skin and Hide Merchants' Association and discussed with them questions relating to war supplies.

Mr. P. Abdul Kader, President of the Association, presented a memorandum to the Director-General on behalf of the Association which "inter alia" stated that exports of skins and hides from Madras Presidency were the largest in India and after the outbreak of war, the output had to be increased on account of the increased demand from the United Kingdom. But the trade had suffered seriously of late owing to the restricted shipping facilities since November last. If this position should continue for sometime more, the President feared, the key industry might collapse.

The Director-General is understood to have assured the members of the Association that all their representations would receive careful consideration at the hands of the Government.—A. P.

Increased Production Of Indian Sugar

CALCUTTA: April 25.

The production of sugar in India by refining gur during the year 1941, has been estimated to be 42,700 tons, which is 44 per cent above the actual production in the previous year.

This is revealed in the first memorandum submitted by the Director of the Imperial Institute of Sugar Technology, Cawnpore, on the production of sugar refined from Gur in India during the current year.

This increase, the memorandum states, is entirely due to increased production in the United Provinces, where the output of gur-sugar this year is estimated to exceed the actual output in the last year by 86 per cent. —A. P.

WESTERN INDIA FOOTBALL ASSOCN.

The following fixtures have been arranged up to and including Friday, 2nd May:—

The kick-off is at 5-45 p.m.

Monday, 28th inst Muslims Sports Club v. C.Y.N.S. "A". Tuesday, 29th inst. Central Bank v. Maharashtra Gym. or South Kanara "C". Wednesday, 30th inst. Georgian Sporting v. W.I.A.A. Thursday, 1st May B B and C.I. Rly. or Young Jolly "B" v Martand Vijay "A" or Jagannath Fishermen "A". Friday, 2nd May Muslims S.C. or C.Y.N.S. "A" v. B.E.S.T. or Young Jolly "A".

TRADE AND FINANCE

Short Term Again Easy

Decline In Active Note Circulation

LONG LIQUIDATION IN SECURITIES

Weekly Market Reviews

(From Our Special Correspondent).
Bombay: April 25.

MONEY: The short-term money market again settled down in its groove of ease during the week under review. Interbank call money rate was quoted at 1/4 per cent with 3 to 6 months' money available between 1 and 1 1/4 per cent per annum. There was a slight increase in the total amount tendered for investment in three months' Government of India Treasury Bills as compared to the previous week, but the average rate of accepted tenders remained unchanged at As. 13/8 per cent per annum. During the week Government sold Rs. 76 lacs worth of intermediates.

The weekly statement of the Reserve Bank of India made upto 18th April 1941, reveals a decline of Rs. 32.92 lacs in the active note circulation, while the total note issue has expanded by Rs. 39.99 lacs compensated, in its turn, by an increase of Rs. 39.99 lacs in the Bank's holding of Rupee Coin. Sterling Securities of the value of Rs. 36.52 lacs appear to have been converted into Government of India Rupee Securities. In the Banking Department, Government Deposits have declined by Rs. 247.75 lacs, while Bankers' Deposits have gone up by Rs. 213.40 lacs and Others by Rs. 24.36 lacs. Balances held abroad show an increase of Rs. 102.41 lacs. Loans and Advances to Government are down by Rs. 1.90 crores.

The statement of affairs of the Imperial Bank of India made upto 18th April 1941 records a rise of Rs. 55.78 lacs in all deposits. Investments are up by Rs. 54.68 lacs and advances by Rs. 3.37 lacs. The Bank's holding of Cash is depleted to the extent of Rs. 2.30 lacs.

GILT-EDGED: Developments in Europe and the Middle East caused some nervousness and gilt-edged values in the local market were marked down all-round on small selling. Buyers preferred to await developments with the result that the turnover during the week was restricted. 3 1/2 per cent India Sterling Stock in London was steady at £99 throughout the week, but 3 1/2 per cent Rupee Paper ruled easier and declined from Rs. 95/8 to Rs. 94 at the close. Other dated bonds were also marked down. 2 3/4 per cent 1948/53 loan declined to Rs. 97, 3 per cent 1941 bonds to Rs. 100/4 and 3 per cent 1951/54 loan to Rs. 99/4. Long-dated loans were particularly weak, 3 per cent 1963/65 loan being offered at Rs. 94/4, 4 per cent 1960/70 loan at Rs. 108 and 4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 loan at Rs. 113. 3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 loan was offered at Rs. 102/2 and 4 per cent 1943 bonds at Rs. 104/4, whilst 5 per cent 1945/55 (tax free) loan declined sharply from Rs. 111/8 to Rs. 110/2 and 3 per cent 1946 Defence Bonds were marked down from Rs. 101/7 to Rs. 101/4.

EXCHANGE: With the prevailing stagnation of exports there was little activity in the rupee-sterling exchange market. The showing of merchandise export bills was scanty. For interbank business sellers of spot T T on London quoted 1s 5 61/64d and buyers 1s 5 63/64d with occasional business passing at 1s 5 31/32d. Merchant rates fixed by the Exchange Banks' Association were unchanged as under:—Sellers T T for spot delivery and upto 6 months 1s 5 15/16d. Buyers T T for spot delivery and upto six months 1s 6d.

In the New York market sterling recovered its lost ground somewhat and after being quoted around 401 cents during the early part of the week, moved within the limit of the British control rate at 402.75 cents. The Shanghai dollar declined from 3 3/16d to 3 1/8d towards the close while the yen remained pegged at 1s 2 1/2d.

GOLD: In spite of depressing war news from the Balkan front the gold market exhibited a quiet tone. Spot gold which was quoted at Rs. 43/8/3 at the opening lost over a rupee during the course of the week having declined to Rs. 42/7/6 on Wednesday. But the downward trend was checked at this stage as there was a renewed demand for sovereigns and consequently for gold to be surrendered in exchange for them. The price moved up to Rs. 42/11/3 at the close. May settlement was quoted between 1 and 1 1/4 annas over spot, while gold to be delivered in the June settlement stood at a premium of 1 1/4 to 1 1/2 annas over May. The price of sovereigns after declining to Rs. 28/12 on Wednesday improved to Rs. 28/14 at the close. Floating stocks of the metal are estimated at over 6,00,000 tolas; arrivals from Upcountry are estimated to have averaged about 10,000 tolas a day; and the average daily offtake is said to be 6,000 tolas. The highest and lowest rates touched during the week were: Rs. 43/8/3 and Rs. 42/7/6 for spot; Rs. 43/9/6 and Rs. 42/8/6 for May settlement and Rs. 43/10/9 and Rs. 42/10 for June settlement.

SILVER: In conformity with the trend in gold, cotton and other commodities the silver market showed a quiet tone. Ready silver opened at Rs. 63/6/6 but by Wednesday had declined by a rupee to Rs. 62/5/6. At this stage there was a minor rally and the rate improved to Rs. 62/12 at the close. May settlement stood 1 1/2 to 2 annas over spot; while June settlement commanded a premium of 2 annas over May. In London both cash and forward deliveries were consistently quoted at 23 1/2d at which level the Government of India is said to have satisfied some trade buying. Floating stocks of silver in the local market are estimated to be about 14,000 bars. The highest and lowest rates touched were: Rs. 63/6/6 and Rs. 62/5/6 for spot; Rs. 63/8/6 and Rs. 62/7 for May settlement and Rs. 63/10/6 and Rs. 62/9 for June settlement.

SHARES: Barring intermittent spasms of steadiness, the local share market was characterised by easy conditions throughout the period under report. Apart from the disquieting war news the reported disturbances in the city were an additional factor causing nervousness. The turnover on the whole was comparatively restricted.

Tata Iron and Steel Deferreds after improving from Rs. 1790 to Rs. 1825 earlier in the week, declined and closed at Rs. 1771/4, whilst Ordinaries, which had risen up to Rs. 356/8 on the opening day gradually declined and closed at Rs. 358. Similar movements were noticeable in the mill section; Bombay Dyings after fluctuating between Rs. 1045 and Rs. 1020, closed at Rs. 1025, whilst Centuries ruled easier at Rs. 378 at the finish. Central Indias declined from Rs. 303 to Rs. 288/8, Colabas from Rs. 167 to Rs. 163/8 and Gokaks from Rs. 203 to Rs. 196/8. Kohinoors after ruling firm at Rs. 396 mid-week closed lower at Rs. 381, whilst New Greats lost about 20 points to Rs. 375. Among Hydro-Electrics except Andhra Valleys which ruled fairly steady around Rs. 1840 all other scrips receded in the absence of much business. Tata Powers moved back from Rs. 1600 to Rs. 1565 and Tata Hydros from Rs. 179/8 to Rs. 175, whilst Bombay Trams were quoted lower at Rs. 132/4 ex-div. Bank shares were neglected; Bank of Indias sagged from Rs. 141-8 to Rs. 140 at the end and Central Banks were marked down from Rs. 44 to Rs. 40/14. Imporial Bank fully paids were offered at Rs. 1528/12 and partly paids at Rs. 380 as compared with the opening rates of Rs. 1550 and Rs. 386/4 respectively. Railway shares saw very little activity and were nominally quoted around the previous levels. In the miscellaneous group of shares Associated Cements were initially firm at Rs. 137/4 but eased to Rs. 134/12 at the close, whilst Bolapur Sugars after touching Rs. 208 early in the week, declined and closed at Rs. 204. Bombay Burmas lost over 30 points to Rs. 471/4 and Scindia Steams dropped from Rs. 19/14 to Rs. 18/9 under selling pressure. New Indias likewise ruled weak at Rs. 41/4 as compared with the opening level of Rs. 42-14.

CALCUTTA: Jute shares in the Calcutta market ruled weak with a considerable deterioration in rates. The turnover, however, was restricted.

'STAR-BLITZ' IN TRANQUEBAR

TRANQUEBAR, April 23.

A strange phenomenon occurred at 9-30 p.m. last night, when an unusually brilliant star was observed to shoot across the north-eastern sector of the sky at an altitude of about sixty degrees. The star moved in an upward direction, the head being followed by a blazing streak of light. After the star had ceased to travel further, it began to disappear gradually from the head till the whole thing faded out completely, the whole process lasting about twenty minutes.

A number of people watched this strange occurrence.—A.P.

"News" Cinema In Aid Of War Gifts Fund

The Ladies' Committee of the War Gifts Fund are organising a "News" Cinema in St. Xavier's Hall, opposite the Metro Cinema, on Friday, May 2, at 6-30 p.m. This show will consist of news reels, cartoons, travelogues, musical shorts, etc. on the lines of the "News" Cinema programme in England. It is felt that this programme will appeal to all classes and communities in Bombay and will provide a complete change from all previous efforts. Tickets are priced at Rs. 3 for which patrons will receive a coupon and three "Win the War" Rupee Fund Tickets. The Ladies' Committee hope that people will organise parties for this show, which has been specially arranged so as not to have another late night. An early Cinema Show and a light buffet supper afterwards is an ideal way to entertain friends in the hot weather.

Bombay War Gifts Fund

Amount previously acknowledged: Rs. 53,96,554/2/9.

For R.A.F.: Rs. 3,708/8 the Cricket Club of India Ltd. Rs. 1,131/3 the United Services Club. Rs. 100 "Anonymous." Rs. 91/8 the members of the Radio and Cable Recreation Club (monthly).

For Chancellor of Exchequer, London, "War Purposes": Rs. 872/12 "Anonymous".

Grand Total on Friday: Rs. 54,02,573/9/9.

JAT PAT TORAK MANDAL—The following gentlemen have been elected office-bearers and members of the Executive Committee of the Jat Pat Torak Mandal, Lahore for the year 1941/42:—President: Shri Sant Ram, B.A.; Vice-Presidents: Dr. Jagan Nath Eye Specialist and Shri Bhim Sen Vidyalankar; Secretary: Shri Roop Chand, Advocate; Asstt. Secretaries: Shris. Indra Singh and Shri Govind Ram; Treasurer: Shri Shiv Datta.

Members of Executive Committee: Master Mool Raj; Shris Brij Lal, Advocate; Balkishna, Har Bhagwan, Nand Lal and Shri Roshan Lal of Sports Ltd, Secretary, Student section: Shri Chander Bhanji.

"OPPOSE THESE UNJUST BILLS"

Appeal To Ceylon Indians To Present United Front

COLOMBO, April 24.

The two bills sponsored by the Ceylon Government, one seeking to restrict immigration of Indians into Ceylon and the other requiring compulsory registration of non-Ceylonese residents in Ceylon, came in for trenchant criticism at the hands of Mr. Peri Sundaram, President of the Ceylon Indian Congress and former Minister for Labour, Industry and Commerce, at a meeting held to celebrate the Indian National Week.

Opposing the Bills Mr. Peri Sundaram, who presided over the meeting, traced the history of Indian immigration into Ceylon and how the Indian immigrant worker had in different fields for over one moiety a quarter century rendered yeoman services to the Island in developing its resources. The Indians, he said, were brought to the Island for developing the economic prosperity and it was a pity that these workers should now be looked upon as invading hosts. If these legislations were enacted, Mr. Sundaram added, they would greatly humiliate the Indian community now residing in Ceylon. He appealed to the Indians in Ceylon to unite and oppose such class legislation.

Mr. H. M. Desai moved the resolution felicitating the Indian National Congress in her fight for India's freedom.

Referring to the two Bill's, Mr. Desai said that they were brought in great haste and were evidently the repercussion of the failure of the Indo-Ceylon talks. He appealed to the Indians in Ceylon to oppose these unjust bills.—United Press.

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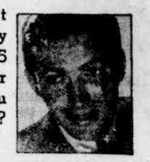
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U. S. Can't Look On While Axis Plots Defeat

AMERICA MUST PAY FOR HER SECURITY

Great Call To Nation To Rise To Full Stature Of Its Might

WASHINGTON, April 25.

A strong hint that the United States will convoy supply ships to Britain and her Allies was given by Colonel Knox, Secretary of the Navy in a speech here on Thursday. "Having gone this far we can only go on", he declared after making what he described as "an utterly realistic and objective survey" of world conditions.

U. S. MUST SEE JOB THROUGH

Colonel Knox whose speech was broadcast to the nation was speaking at the dinner of the Bureau of Advertising of American Newspaper Publishers Association.

He said, "Hitler cannot allow our war supplies and food to reach England". He will be defeated if they do. We cannot allow our goods to be sunk in the Atlantic—we shall be beaten if they are. We must make good our promise to give aid to Britain. We must see the job through.

All this is needed for our own safety and future security. This is our fight. The American people have recognised the catastrophic quality of a totalitarian victory and have overwhelmingly endorsed every step along the progress we have made to our present posture.

Proclaiming, as we do, our faith in the ultimate victory of good over evil, our devotion to the cause of human liberty, our century and a half pursuit of justice between men on terms of equality, we can no longer occupy the immoral craven position of asking others to make all sacrifices for this victory, which we recognise is essential to us. Our manhood and self-respect demand that we assume our part of the burden".

Gradual Encirclement Of America

Colonel Knox referred to "an America gradually becoming encircled by military powers whose ideals, institutions and methods are all irreconcilably antagonistic to ours", and added, "These same powers also openly and repeatedly proclaimed themselves our enemies and these openly avowed enemies have joined themselves together in a pact which they do not hesitate to say is aimed at us alone.

Whenever, in the judgment of the Axis powers, it better suits their purpose to begin hostilities, the hostilities will begin and nothing we can do, save prostrating ourselves in abject surrender, will change this.

There is no retracing our steps. We have committed ourselves to this world struggle. If we attempt to back down, England will go down in a catastrophic defeat, and we would face a world-wide victorious Germany and her Allies, whom we should have to fight alone.

Axis Must Not Win

We have declared that aggressor nations must not be permitted to win. We have irrevocably committed ourselves to see that this is prevented and we have acknowledged that our destiny—just as much as the destiny of the British Empire and the ultimate destiny of the conquered peoples of the Low Countries, Scandinavia, France and the Balkans—is at stake."

Colonel Knox said that the latest link in the chain of encirclement was the recently announced Russo-Japanese agreement which, in his opinion, was certain to strengthen the hand of the war party in Japan.

"The end of this deal between Russia and Japan which tightens the circle around us leave Russia quite as likely an object of attack by Hitler as she was before the deal was made and leaves Japan free of any Russian interference in the Far East.

German Strategy

Summed up in military terms, the Russo-Japanese Agreement makes Japan more secure as she pursues her dream of domination and leaves Russia no stronger in the event of an attempted Nazi seizure of the Ukraine."

Colonel Knox concluded, "German strategy—a world strategy carefully planned and efficiently executed—is becoming clearer daily. German aspirations for world domination can no longer be mistaken—the jaws of the Nazi trap are closing. How long will we remain bemused and stupefied, while the Axis powers press their plans for our isolation and ultimate defeat?"

U. S. To Convoy Ships?

The belief that President Roosevelt has reached a decision on the protection of material going "from the American arsenal to the British firing line" is expressed in some usually well-informed circles here.

While details are lacking, it is assumed that the President intends to provide United States naval convoys as far as Greenland or Iceland or perhaps for the first thousand miles across the Atlantic.

This, it is believed, may be the President's answer to the rising tide of criticism in the United States that the administration is not living up to its promises to the democracies.

HULL'S APPEAL TO THE NATION

"Ways must be found to ensure that aid to Britain reaches its destination in the shortest time and at the maximum capacity," declared the Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, in a broadcast to the nation.

Mr. Hull called on 130 millions of American people "to rise in our might and proceed as one man in the Herculean task of equipping this nation to the fullest for its defence.

The United States is certainly included in the Axis plans for world domination. It makes a difference who wins, the difference of whether we stand with our back to the wall with the other four continents against us and the high seas lost, alone defending the last free territories on earth or whether we keep our place in an orderly world."

Declaring that the United States was in the midst of desperately serious days involving all peoples and nations, Mr. Hull said, "It is a war of assault by these would-be conquerors employing every method of barbarism upon nations which cling to their right to live in freedom and which are resisting in self defence.

President Roosevelt discussed defence and related problems at his weekly meeting with Mr. Cordell Hull, Mr. Stimson, Colonel Knox and Mr. Harry Hopkins, the Administrator of the Lease and Lend Programme on Thursday.

Roosevelt And Leadership

Some of those close to the President declare that much may be expected soon, but his critics say that it will have to be "something pretty good" to meet the urgent needs of the situation.

Independent newspaper columnists are attacking Mr. Roosevelt for his alleged lack of leadership and the Conference of Editors from all parts now meeting here complains that Mr. Roosevelt was elected to give the nation guidance which it is not receiving.

Newspaper editorials pay high tributes to the valour of the Greek, British and Imperial troops in Greece, but refer to their tragic numerical inferiority. They demand that Britain should get more planes, tanks and guns and get them quickly.-

Early Decision On Convoys Demanded

The speeches of Mr. Cordell Hull, the Secretary of State and Col. Knox, the Navy Secretary, are given great prominence in many morning newspapers and editors and broadcasters are strongly suggesting an early decision on convoys.

It is reported that the administration has been impressed by the recent Gallup Poll which has shown that 47 per cent in favour of convoys, if Britain's plight reaches "desperation point."

By pledges given by American publishers, all newspapers will support whatever decisions are reached.-

"PAY AS YOU GO"

Price For American Security

"A small price to pay for American security" was the description given by Mr. Morgenthau, the United States Secretary of the Treasury, of the request for 3,500,000,000 dollars new taxes he had made to the Congress for a greater defence production.

In a formal statement to the House of Representatives' Ways and Means Committee Mr. Morgenthau said: "We are faced with a greater challenge than any in the history of the Republic. It calls for a much greater response than yet made. The American people are prepared to make such response willingly. How much is it worth to be free men living in a free land? The American people are willing to pay that price."

Mr. Morgenthau added: "We simply cannot carry on business as usual and Government as usual from now on and still take adequate care of our defence needs. It will be a tragic error to assume that we can expand our defence production on a colossal scale and still go on our usual way as Government or individuals."

He made no specific recommendations how the new taxes should be raised, but said: "The new taxes will seem a small price to pay" for the nation's security. Mr. Morgenthau said that the tax programme

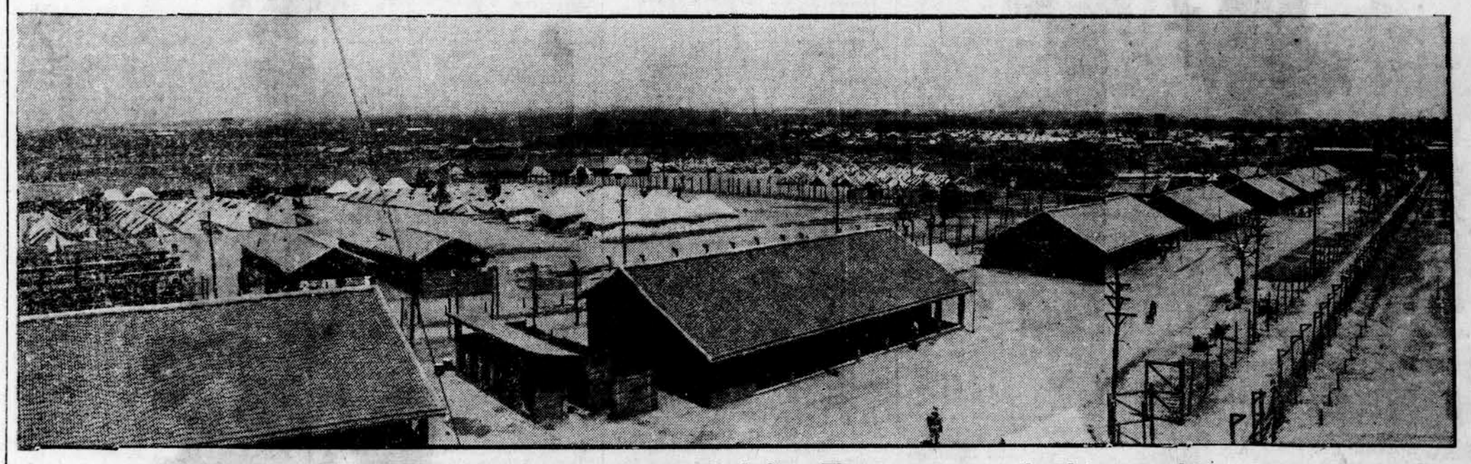
Firstly presented methods of "paying as you go" for a reasonable proportion of the expenditure,

Secondly it was designed so that all sections of people would bear a fair share of the burden,

Thirdly to help United States resources for defence by reducing the amount of money spendable on less important things,

Fourthly it was designed to prevent a general rise in prices by keeping the purchasing power from outrunning production.—Reuter.

OUR "GUESTS" FROM MUSSOLINI LAND!



More than 30,000 Italian p risoners of war are at present in India. They are acc ommodated in several internment camps. Photo shows a general view of Ramgarh Internment Camp which has a capacity of 12,000 prisoners. Although most of the prisoners are at present in tents, huts are being built.

An Italian prisoner of war with his pet.

Sentries changing. They hand over their ammunition at the end of their duty. The possibility of a prisoner escaping is very remote. The surrounding country is jungle.

Film Producer Jailed For Evading Income-Tax

NEW YORK, April 24.

Charged with evading income-tax amounting to 103,-000 sterling in three years ended 1937, the film producer Joseph Schenck was to-day sentenced to three years imprisonment, plus a fine of 500 sterling.

During the trial lasting seven weeks Government witnesses testified to Schenck's lavish expenditure on film stars and heavy gambling gains and losses.

The Half-Column By "Dim"

I have made the somewhat amazing discovery that the Oxford Concise Dictionary has not got the word "pimp" (as normally used) and "pence". It's probably the reason why it's called "Concise".

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The riots in Bombay have filled everyone with a sense of horror But where are the great Muslim and Hindu leaders, other than Congressmen who are in jail? Why don't they go out to Bhendi Bazaar and such places and placate and give confidence to the people? Surely when you preach communalism you ought to be able to have an answer to this. Or may be the cure is more Pentangular cricket?

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Which takes me to my article on the opening day of the Festival match, when that high official of the Cricket Club said to me: "So much for your non-communal cricket—blast". I'd like to take him round town—to places other than his chateau on Malabar Hill and his house at Juhu and ask him to make a fitting comment on broken heads, soda bottles littered on the road, brick-bats, innocent men lying stabbed on the road. If this is what you'd like to see, O.K. here's plenty of it. But come out now and mix freely with the gentle, playful crowds and experience this communal feeling in the raw. Or shall I send you a few pictures?

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Mr. Arthur Moore better be careful when he says that there is a paralysis of British leadership. He might be suspected by contemporary and local Anglo-India of tendencies to undermine the prestige of the Raj. Wouldn't it be lovely if Arthur Moore suddenly decided to offer satyagraha and the "Times of India" special correspondent had to report on it? Say, I'd buy two copies of that paper One for myself. The other for my son.

Charlie Chan Detective Story Day By Day

ENLISTING A JEALOUS RECRUIT

BANANA BOAT MYSTERY

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KEENO LOVE ME BEFORE YOU COME!
HELP US ESCAPE FROM THE ISLAND AND KEENO WILL LOVE YOU AGAIN!
LOOK OUT—SOMEONE'S COMING!
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